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REVIEW OF INDIA'S FOREIGN POLICY

Ambassadors Summoned To Delhi For Consultations

REACTIONS OF WORLD'S CAPITALS TO BE DISCUSSED: FRESH LEAD TO EMBASSIES

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, March 22.

India's Ambassadors from different Capitals will assemble in New Delhi this month-end, to discuss problems affecting the country's foreign relations, I learn on good authority.

CLEAR LEAD TO EMBASSIES

THE FOREIGN POLICY OF INDIA SINCE THE COUNTRY ACHIEVED INDEPENDENCE AND THE MANNER THE OTHER CAPITALS HAVE REACTED TO THIS POLICY WILL FIGURE IN THE TALKS WHICH ARE INTENDED TO GIVE A CLEAR LEAD TO THE EMBASSIES.

Syed Ali Zaheer and Wing Commander Rup Chand, India's Ambassadors in Iran and Afghanistan are already here.

Mr. K. M. Pannikar, India's Ambassador in China, is expected here this week-end to report on affairs on China and latest developments there. He will be returning by the middle of April.

Mr. Rama Rao from the United States is expected on or about April 1. He will stay on at Lndon for a few days on his way to New Delhi.

Mrs. Vijaylakshmi Pandit from Moscow is expected here by the first week of April. The first Counsellor to the Embassy will take charge of office during her absence.

Mr. Krishna Menon from London is expected here by the end of this month. He is likely to accompany Pandit Nehru to London.

UPROAR IN DANISH PARLIAMENT

Reds Demonstrate Against Premier's Report On Atlantic Pact

COPENHAGEN, March 22. (PTI-Reuter): Communists in the public gallery to-day interrupted Danish Foreign Minister Gustav Rasmussen's report to Parliament on the Atlantic Pact.

Seven or eight young men lowered from the gallery to the Chamber large posters reading: "Youth says no. We do not wish to fight for Wall Street."

Uproar in the House followed this interruption of the Foreign Minister's statement which was broadcast.

Still shouting slogans against the Pact, the youths were forcibly ejected.

A carefully planned "spontaneous" Communist demonstration was reported here to have been prepared for interrupting the debate on M. Rasmussen's statement due to begin in the Lower House to-morrow morning.

Mr. Rasmussen told Parliament today in his report on the Atlantic Pact that there was no question of establishing foreign bases in denmark and, he added, denmark had not "sold" greenland for arms.

ATOMIC ENERGY FOR POWER PURPOSES

CHICAGO, March 21. (PTI-Reuter): The Soviet Union may proceed more rapidly than the United States in the development of atomic energy for power purposes, an article in the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists said today.

The writers, Mr. Walter Israd of the American University, Washington, and Mr. Vincent Whiney of Brown University, said the conservative view was that America's energy resources would deteriorate relative to those of Russia over the next century.

"In other words atomic power will, probably in the long run, prove a greater addition to the energy resources of Russia than to those of the United States," the article said.

GODSE'S FRESH APPLICATION

Request For Permission To Argue Case

SIMLA, March 22. (U.P.I.): Another application which was sent by Nathuram Godse through the Red Fort jail authorities, Delhi reached to-day in the East Punjab High Court. In this application, Godse has reiterated his request to appear and argue in person his appeal, by which he says, his interest would be best served.

"I humbly submit that it is my inalienable right to be heard by the Court and it cannot be at all affected by such instructions", he added.

It may be mentioned that in his previous application he prayed for his personal appearance but Mr. Justice Harnam Singh asked the Advocate-General his opinion, who, in turn, requested him to allow him to consult the Government of India in this connection.

The Advocate-General has informed the High Court of the Government of India's decision that the matter should be left to the High Court's discretion entirely.

The Judgment in this connection is still pending.

SPEEDY PEACE FOR CHINA

Legislative Yuan's Plea To General Ho

NANKING, March 22. (PTI-Reuter): China's powerful Legislative Yuan Assembly) today urged the new Government to appeal to the Communists to speed arrangements for peace talks.

It asked the Premier, General Ho Ying-Chin, to fill three vacancies in the Government's own five-man Peace Delegation and to ask the Communists to appoint their negotiators and fix a time for the talks.

A special Nanking Committee is now drafting terms to be submitted to the Communists, whose powerful armies are ranged along the north bank of the Yangtse river ready for a crossing.

General Ho's new Cabinet meets for the first time tomorrow to discuss the peace draft and is expected to continue acting President Li Tsung-Jen's policy of seeking terms with the Communists on a basis of equality.

The Premier has summoned the Chinese Ambassador in Moscow, Dr. Fu Ping-Chang, to return to Nanking immediately to take up his new post as Foreign Minister.

SUN FO NOT INDICTED

An official spokesman said today that the Control Yuan, China's highest Supervisory Body, had not indicted ex-Premier Sun Fo, who resigned earlier this month.

He said the Yuan had only sent a copy of a censure motion to the Supreme Court.

Commonwealth Premiers To Meet In April

LONDON, March 22. (PTI-Reuter): Commonwealth Prime Ministers are expected to meet in London in April 23 for a 10-day conference on urgent defence and constitutional problems. The countries represented at the conference—which is still suoject to final endorsement by the Dominions—will be In , Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Pakistan, Ceylon and Britain.

The conference follows Britain's recent despatch of four ministerial and official envoys to Commonwealth countries to discuss with Dominion leaders "matters arising out of the Prime Ministers' Conference in London last October".

Official London quarters have remained silent so far on the results of these talks between British Envoys and Dominion statesmen.

The agenda for the London Conference which is assumed to have been agreed to in these talks is also oeing kept a close secret.

General speculation linked the London meeting with defence and the threat to security caused by the recent upsurge of Communism in Far Eastern countries.

It is generally assumed that in accordance with her declared intention India will shortly announce her national status as an independent democratic Republic.

SYMPATHY FOR THE CRIPPLED

Lady Mountbatten visited the Society for Rehabilitation of crippled children in Bombay on Tuesday evening. She is paying attention to a child which inspite of its disability, is keenly interested in the click of the camera.

"CREATE PUBLIC OPINION TO COMBAT COMMUNISM"

No Suppression Of "Red" Activities At Present: Abidali Withdraws Resolution On Morarji's Assurance

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The permanent solution to avert the spread of communism in India lies in the creation of public opinion and educating the masses so that they may be "immune from the disease", rather than Government taking suppressive measures to eradicate the evil, Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, told the Bombay Legislative Council to-day.

Mr. Desai, however, assured the House that in an emergency, as the present one, Government had taken and would continue to take such action as the situation demanded for meeting the challenge of these violent elements, bent upon disturbing the even tenor of the social life of this province.

PLEA FOR BANNING "RED" ORGANISATIONS.

Mr. Desai was replying to a non official resolution, moved by Mr. Abidalli Jaffarbhoy, demanding the declaration of all Communist Organisations in the province illegal and banning of their activities, including their publications, periodicals and newspapers. The resolution also wanted to ban such of the organisations and institutions, controlled by Communists, in case they failed to sever their connection with the "Reds".

On the Home Minister's assurance, the mover withdrew the resolution.

Mr. Abidalli, moving the resolution, said that Communists were pledged to establish a dictatorship by an armed revolution and violent overthrow of the existing Government. The Communists could very well fight the forthcoming general elections in the country if theirs was the democratic way, but they were bent upon creating chaos and exploiting discontent among the masses.

Urging immediate and effective Government action to meet the Communist challenge, Mr. Abidalli revealed that he had information to the effect that Communist workers who were detained in jails were issuing instructions to their men working outside.

CREATE PUBLIC OPINION.

Mr. Shantilal Shah, vigorously supporting the resolution, said that it was up to the people to realise that democracy was in danger and to supplement Government's efforts in rooting out the Communist evil by creating public opinion against this dangerous doctrine.

Mrs. Violet Alva opposed the resolution, because she thought such action

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Eden's Plea For Closer Indo-British Ties

COMMONWEALTH AS STABILISING FACTOR FOR PEACE

"Britain Has Immense Goodwill Towards India," Says Ex-Foreign Secretary

NEW DELHI, March 22. Mr. Anthony Eden, former British Foreign Secretary, addressing a crowded meeting of the Indian Council of World Affairs here today said: "In conditions as they are today, the free association of nations which we call the British Commonwealth is of real value as a stabilising element in a world which surely is in need of such an influence".

BRITAIN'S GOODWILL TOWARDS INDIA

HE ADDED THAT IN BRITAIN TODAY THERE WAS AN IMMENSE FUND OF GOODWILL TOWARDS INDIA. AS REGARDS THE FUTURE, IT WAS ENTIRELY FOR INDIA TO TAKE ANY DECISION WHICH MIGHT SEEM WISE TO HER.

"I WILL ONLY SAY THIS," MR. EDEN SAID, "THAT THE CLOSER AND THE MORE INTIMATE THE RELATIONSHIP YOU MAY FEEL ABLE TO ESTABLISH WITH US AND WITH THE SISTER NATIONS OF OUR COMMONWEALTH, THE HAPPIER WE SHALL BE".

Pandit Hridayanath Kunzru presided over the meeting which was attended among others by a large number of Members of Parliament, and Cabinet Ministers.

COMPLEXITY OF PROBLEMS

As one surveyed the international scene today, Mr. Eden continued, with its many stresses and strains, certain conclusions were forced upon one. The first is that though the last century had seen rapid progress in scientific development in every field, there had been no comparable progress in the political sphere. One result of this scientific progress had been an improvement in communications which had in itself deprived diplomacy of the shock absorbers of time and space which could be, on occasions, its useful ally. Nowadays any event was at once known in all its detail not only in the country or continent where it took place, but throughout the world and reaction followed swiftly in its stride. A consequence of all this was that Ministers of the leading nations had to deal, often at short notice, with a variety and complexity of problem far exceeding those of even a century ago.

During the last two months, Mr. Eden himself and Commander Noble had been on a visit to a number of Commonwealth countries including Canada, New Zealand and Australia. It was a strenuous and stimulating experience he said.

SENSE OF COMRADESHIP

They had spoken to a very large number of people. "But throughout this journey" he said "what has impressed me most has been the sense of comradeship and underlying unity of which we have been conscious everywhere in those countries. This unity is not based on any elaborate code of rules. It has its origins, no doubt, in inherited traditions, in faith, in parliamentary Government, in the similarity of its forms, and in a common code of law before which all are equal but its strength is greater than any of these things individually or of all of them collectively.

Like most influences that really count in life, it is very difficult to put into words, but it does include, I think, a spirit of tolerance and of goodwill combined with a determination to protect the free way of life

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PROTECTION TO BOMBAY BANKS

Matthai Sponsors Bill In Parliament

NEW DELHI, March 22 (API): The Finance Minister, Dr. John Matthai introduced in Parliament today a Bill which will protect banks in Bombay from special responsibility in respect of clients' accounts operated by attorneys.

Under the rules framed by the Bombay High Court, an attorney practising there has to keep an account at a bank for clients' moneys in the title of which the world "client" shall appear, and he can operate on that account only for the purposes specified in the rules. The legal effect of these rules is that a bank is fixed with a notice of trust and is bound to enquire into the purpose of withdrawal, whenever any transaction is sought to be made on such clients' accounts. These rules have placed on banks a great measure of special responsibility and they also interfere with the free transferability of cheques drawn on such accounts. The bill seeks to protect banks by relieving them of such special responsibility and to ensure free transferability of cheques.

The measure will, in the first instance, apply to Bombay City, where such rules are in force. But it may be later extended to other places if and when similar laws are made for those places.

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Lady Mountbatten Leaves For London

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Lady Mountbatten, after her 36-hour visit to the city, left for London at midnight, by an Air-India International plane.

Lady Mountbatten was accompanied by her daughter, Pamela Mountbatten.

She was seen off at the Santa Cruz airport by the A.D.C. to the Governor of Bombay Lt. K. N. Bahl, Mr. A. S. Bam, President Deputy Secretary to the Government of Bombay and Mr. Joachim Alva, Sheriff of Bombay.

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ISRAEL'S PROTEST TO SECURITY COUNCIL

Objection Against British Troops At Akaba

LAKE SUCCESS, March 22. (PTI-Reuter): Israel today officially complained to the Security Council that the presence of British Troops at Akaba, Red Sea Port in Transjordan was a "violation of the Council's May 29 resolution", and might have "adverse effect" on current armistice negotiations between Israel and Transjordan.

LIKELY EFFECT ON RHODES TALKS

An Israel delegation statement issued to the Press said: "The Israel mission to the United Nations today expressed to members of the Security Council and to the Secretary-General its concern at the adverse effect which the presence of British troops in Transjordan may have on the current armistice negotiations between Isreal and Transjordan at Rhodes.

"It is reported that British forces at Akaba intend to take over other sections of the Transjordan-Israel frontiers. The arrival of British troops in Akaba was a violation of the May 29 resolution of the Security Council which forbade the introduction of of fighting personnel to any of the countries engaging in the Palestine conflict by any power. The reinforcement of those forces last week was an aggravation of that original infringement".

The statement went on to declare that the troops should be withdrawn.

A British delegation spokesman said that the movement of British troops in Akaba was necessiated by previous apparently aggressive intentions of the Israeli forces.

He emphasised that in any case, British movements were in line with longstanding treaty agreements with Transjordan and had been duly reported to the United Nations.

DARING ROBBERY IN AMRITSAR

Man Shot At And Relieved Of Rs. 40,000

AMRITSAR, March 22, (U.P.I.): A sensational and daring highway robbery, in which the robbers fired a pistol and took away property worth about Rs. 40,000 was committed last night at about 8 p.m. on a road near Chawk Phulanwala, situated in the heart of the city.

It is alleged that one 'Saraf' was going home from his shop, carrying with him valuables, currency notes, etc., worth about Rs. 40,000. When he was passing nea: Phulanwala Chawk, three persons waylaid him. One of them fired a pistol and injured him. The culprits then snatched the bag and decamped. The injured person was removed to the hospital. So far no arrest has been made.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST BOARD

Both Congress Candidates Elected

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Bombay Municipal Corporation today elected Mr. G. G. Morarji and Mr. V. B. Gandhi as its representatives on the Bombay Port Trust Board.

Three candidates contested the election for the two seats. They were Mr. Morarji and Mr. Gandhi on behalf of the Congress and Mr. Dinkar Desai from the Socialist Party. The first two candidates got 56 and 54 votes respectively Mr. Dinkar Desai got only 38 votes and was defeated.

The Corporation decided to refer two proposals that came from Mr. Homi J. H. Talyarkhan to the Law and General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Talyarkhan's first proposal was "since it has been found that the 12 policemen over whom the Municipality spends over Rs. 12,000, are found entirely inefficacious for the purpose of arresting hawkers, the Municipal Commissioner be requested to consider the desirability of terminating the agreement between the Police and the Municipality arrived at as far back as 1933 nd to divert this amount for a better purpose or alternatively the Commissioner be requested to consider the advisability of increasing the Enchroachment Removal Staff."

Mr. Talyarkhan's other proposal said that the Mayor should approach the Bombay Government for expediting legislation empowering the Corporation to levy a tax on Cinemas and theatres.

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H. R. EVELEIGH,
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JEKOREBAI PURSHOTTAMDAS HURJEE 3784

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY
WATER DEPARTMENT

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By order of the
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Testamentary & Intestate Jurisdiction
Petition No. 170 of 1949

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Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of Shridhar Vinayak Gurjar alias S. V. Gurjar, late of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant formerly Deputy Manager and Spinning Superintendent, Madhusudan Mills Ltd., Bombay who at the time of his death resided at Hindu Colony, Dadar, outside the Fort of Bombay. ..... Deceased

Vithal Shridhar Gurjar of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, a son of the abovenamed / deceased residing at Ramnagar, Dombivli, Navre Bungalow, in the district of Thana. ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Dated this 14th day of March, 1949.

(Sd.) S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
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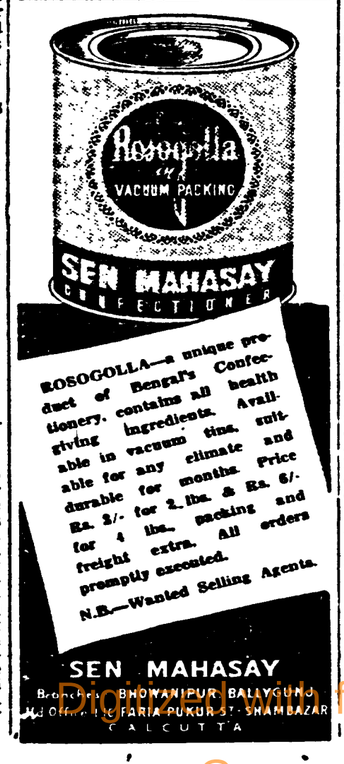
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Indian Delegate's Appeal To Dutch Government To Reinstate Republic In Indonesia

LAKE SUCCESS, March 21 (PTI-Reuter): India's Security Council delegate Mr. B. R. Sen, appealed to the Netherlands today to reinstate Republican authority in Indonesia and declared: "the spirit of a nation cannot be broken by bayonets and bullets."

He asked the Council to consider whether the preliminary Dutch Indonesian conference, which Canada and China suggested should meet before round table talks on the territory's future status, would serve any purpose except to give time to the Netherlands to "consolidate their position in the Republican territory".

Mr. Sen, after reviewing in detail the attitude taken by various members of the Security Council in the preceding debates, said: "the last speech of Dr. Van Royen has been particularly interesting. I would like to refer to certain parts of this speech.

"Dr. Van Royen has explained why the Republican Government cannot be restored at Jogjakarta. It has been the aim of the Netherlands Government, he said, to eliminate the Indonesian Republic as a state so that the Federalists can come into the federation on a basis of equality with the Republicans. It will be, he said up to Indonesian population after the transfer of sovereignty to decide in their elections whether to restore the Republic as a component state.

DESTRUCTIVE INFLUENCE

"Dr. Van Royen followed up this argument with a significant statement, to which I draw the particular attention of the Council. The Netherlands Government, he said, could only make its offer of accelerated independence because the aggressive and destructive influences under the Republican Government at Jogjakarta have for the moment been eliminated.

The offer of accelerated independence can only be maintained if the Netherlands Government can be reasonably certain that those influences remain eliminated.

The deliberate and ruthless suppression of a sovereign state ostensibly with a view immediately to transfer sovereignty to it as a component part of a larger federation of states and on a basis of equality with the other component parts is, no doubt, a very original contribution of the Netherlands to political history.

INCONSISTENT POLICY

"What the judgment of history will be on such an experiment I would leave others to study. What is of immediate consequence to use here, is that if the present offer of transfer of accelerated sovereignty is to be dependent on the non-restoration of the Republican Government at Jogjakarta? Does the Council consider that a preliminary conference to discuss the implementation of paragraphs two and one of the Council resolution, as suggested by Canada and China, would serve any purpose except to give time to the Netherlands Government to consolidate their position in the Republican territory?

In view of the almost unanimous opinion expressed during the present debate that no new circumstances have arisen justifying the modification to the Council resolution of January 28, would it be consistent for the Council knowingly and deliberately to afford the Netherlands Government the cover of a preliminary conference to continue its defiance of the Council resolution?

It is true that Dr. Van Royen commends the proposals of Canada and China as pointing a way out of the impasse, but does he thereby mean that in spite of his statement that the Netherlands offer of accelerated sovereignty depends on the non-restoration of the Republican Government at Jogjakarta, the Netherlands Government are prepared to join the proposed preliminary conference to discuss administrative details—not the principles, as the Chinese representative clearly pointed out—relating to the immediate restoration of the Republican Government?

UNEQUIVOCAL LANGUAGE WANTED

"If so, why does Dr. Van Royen repeat that the Netherlands Government accept the Canadian proposal made on the preceding Friday. In short, Mr. President, what exactly are the matters the Council is proposing for the preliminary conference to discuss, and what exactly are the matters that the Netherlands representative, present here at the Council, is proposing to accept?

Mr. President, we must have a question formulated in clear, unambiguous and unequivocal language, and we must have an answer in equally clear, unambiguous and unequivocal language, before we are called upon to be a party to any departure from the programme of action laid down in the Council resolution of January 28.

SMOKE OF MERE WORDS NOT REQUIRED

"The Council resolution of January 28 was the result of much deliberation. It represented the decision of the Council to play a direct part on the Indonesian scene in the discharge of security.

The Council must beware that its not diverted from its programme of action by a smoke of mere words phrases and suggestions.

SLANDER AGAINST DEMOCRACY

"Dr. Van Royen has claimed that by police action the Netherlands Government have eliminated the Republican Government with its aggressive influences and it is this elimination that has made possible the present offer of an accelerated transfer of sovereignty

When will Dr. Van Royen and his countrymen realise that the spirit of a nation cannot be broken by bayonets and bullets?

Dr. Van Royen has said that if the Republic were reinstated it would have little difficulty in imposing its hegemony on the whole of Indonesia.

No greater slander against a democratic people could have been uttered. The whole history of the leadership of the Indonesian Republic since its creation in August 1945 is a challenge to that slander.

"Indeed, if such is the kind of fear that the Netherlands Government entertain, one may swell ask how they will ensure that six weeks hence, when its primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and a sovereign United States of Indonesia is installed and the Dutch authority is withdrawn, the Republican Government with the reformation of armed forces, will not be in a position to extend their negemony.

Dr. Van Royen also asked us to disbelieve the report of the Republican delegation that the Federalists are in agreement with the President of the Republic on the necessity for the restoration of the Republican Government at Jogjakarta in accordance with the Security Council's resolution.

He asked us to disbelieve this report on the argument that this report is by the Republicans. If this report is incorrect why have the Federalists concerned not contradicted it yet?

PEACE IN S. E. ASIA

"At the same time, Dr. Van Royen expects the Council to put its faith in him when he says that "many Federalists, I am quoting his language" many Federalists who have put all their faith in us would, rightly or wrongly, consider it as a betrayal of their cause if the Republican Government is restored".

How many Federalists is Dr. Van Royen referring to? Who are these Federalists? What is their representative character? Why do they not come into the open and declare to the world what they have confined to Dr. Van Royen and his Government?

Mr. President, I will not take the further time of the Council analysing the mental working of Dr. Van Royen and his Government. We in Asia are more interested in the peace of the South-East Asian continent.

The peace of South-East Asia has been endangered through the continuance of hostilities in Indonesia. For this, the responsibility lies in the Netherlands Government.

"Nine nations assembled in New Delhi last January condemned the Netherlands' Government as the aggressor. They pledged their full support to the Council in the exercise of any power confered upon it by the charter.

Every day that passes makes the situation in Indonesia more difficult, and the prospect of chaos in that area greater, we request the Council to act in wull sense of its responsibility.

JOGJAKARTA DESTROYED BY DUTCH

Following Mr. B. R. Sen, Dr. L. N. Palar, Head of the Indonesian delegation told the Council that Jogjakarta, the Republican capital was being destroyed by the Dutch. He said "it is apparently the aim of the Dutch to make it physically impossible for the Republican Government to be restored in Jogjakarta, or resume its functions there.

According to our information, the Dutch are destroying buildings and removing the administrative and other equipment from Jogjakarta to other towns; for example Semarang.

They are terrorising and mistreating those Indonesian leaders whom we need for a well functioning Government.

This is a question involving the prestige of the Security Council and my delegation feels that the Council should take immediate action in this regard.

"As a first step, the Security Council could instruct the United Nations Commission for Indonesia to report immediately on the situation in Jogjakarta.

Dr. Palar emphasised that the unconditional sovereignty" which the Dutch were promising for Indonesia would be "illusory" if it were accompanied, as the Dutch required, by the simultaneous establishment of the Netherlands Indonesian Union.

He declared: "Hence, the Dutch conception that the union must guarantee the juridical warrants and good Government in Indonesia is based only on wishful thinking.

From the fact that the United States of Indonesia will be sovereign and independent, it follows that it is not the union which will guarantee sovereign functions in Indonesia, but the sovereign and independent United States of Indonesia, and also the sovereign and independent Netherlands kingdom will guarantee a workable Netherlands Indonesian Union headed by the King of the Netherlands.

UNFOUNDED ARGUMENT OF VAN ROYEN

"Let Dr. Van Royen make it clear whether either the Republic or the Federalists ever agreed with the Netherlands that the union should guarantee constitutional security and good Government in Indonesia. This is a clear question. If indeed there have been bone fide consultations of which the results are embodied in this amendment, then the Republic as well as the Federalists must have agreed that the union is to guarantee the basic functions of sovereignty in Indonesia.

Once again, the Netherlands has made an effort to give the impression that we, the Republic of Indonesia, are unitarians and thus against federalism, and that the Republic of Indonesia would impose its hegemony on the whole of Indonesia.

This idea has been carefully built up by Dutch as a basis for their action in Indonesia, and a means of justifying their policy to the outside world. I am sorry that Dr. Van Royen has again used this utterly unfounded argument.

"It is clear enough that we in Indonesia which to have a federation. What we Indonesians have always fought against is a Dutch fabricated Federation,—not for the benefit of Indonesia but for the benefit of the Netherlands.

The most ridiculous argument used by the Netherlands is that, to protect the Federalists, the Republic must not be restored.

Is the Netherlands Government really unaware of the fact that BFO acting for the Federalists, has twice adopted unanimously a resolution, which has already been presented to the Crown Commissioner, providing for:

(1) Restoration of the Government of the Republic of Indonesia in Jogjakarta

(2) Recognition of the assistance of the United Nations Commission for Indonesia,

and (3) a request for the issuance of a cease fire order.

T.N.I. ARMY

"Why don't the Dutch want to restore the Republic of Indonesia, while the Federalists themselves desire this; is there anyone now who still believes that the Dutch refusal to restore the Republican Government is based on the desire of the Dutch to defend the Federalists?

Another argument raised frequently by the Dutch is their claim that the Republican Government is unable to control its own national army, the T.N.I. has always obeyed the Government of the Republic but there is one demand made upon it by the Dutch to which it refuses to acquiesce.

This is that the T.N.I. should be dissolved. But T.N.I. is unwilling to be made part of a federal army.

"There is another point which I think the Council should take into careful consideration and that is the growing impatience of the 19-nations which took part in the New Delhi conference. They regard the present situation in Indonesia as a serious threat to all of them."

Dr. Palar then summarised his delegations views:

(1) The Security Council's resolutions of January 28 must be implemented immediately.

(2) A preliminary conference should be held to implement the immediate return of the Republican leaders to Jogjakarta, but this must be done within 14 days.

(3) The United Nations Commission should report immediately on the situation in Jogjakarta.

(4) After it is restored, the Republican Government will participate in any conference approved by the parties and the United Nations.

Dr. Palar ended by expressing deep regret for the wounding of two United Nations observers in Indonesia. He promised an investigation. He was followed by Colonel Abdur Rahim Khan, Pakistan.

The Security Council adjourned until Wednesday without taking any action.

CAMPAIGN TO CUT DOWN SMOKING

Karachi Plans Province-Wide Drive

KARACHI, March 22, (U.P.I.): A "stop offering cigarettes" campaign has been initiated throughout the province in pursuance of a special drive for cutting down smoking and investing the savings in the Small Savings Scheme of Government, Mr. Altaf Husain Tirmizi, Provincial Savings Officer, Sind stated today

The campaign, Mr. Tirmizi added would be intensified during the forthcoming savings fortnight which the Government of Sind would hold from May 16.

He disclosed that the campaign was meeting with considerable success, several officials throughout the province having agreed to smoke at least a packet less per day and invest the savings in the Pakistan Defence Savings Certificates redeemable after six years.

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OR

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STANDING COMMITTEE Weekly meeting at 3-40 p.m.

SCHOOLS COMMITTEE Ordinary meeting 3-40 p.m. Adjourned meeting thereafter.

To-day's Engagements

STUDENTS' LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY: 25th anniversary of the late Mr. Gajanan Bhaskar Vaidya at the society's school building, Nowroji Seth Street, Thakurdwar, 6-30 p.m. Mrs. Sundarabai G. Talpade will preside.

PRARTHANA SAMAJ: In connection with the 82nd Anniversary of the Bombay Prarthana Samaj, there will be recitation of Jesus Christ's writings composed by Mr. L. V. Paralkar, today (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m.

INSTITUTE OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES: "Life in Great Britain" a film will be shown at the T.P.L. Theatre Menkwa Building, Outram Road, Fort, today (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m.

PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, BOMBAY: Public meeting of property owners in Bombay and suburbs will be held at Sir Jivanji Modey Memorial Hall (Cama Hall), Fort at 6 p.m., today (Wednesday) to urge Government to grant an increase in rents and to protest against amendments to the Rent Act prohibiting landlords to pass on the burden of additional taxes to tenants.

HEADMASTERS ASSOCIATION: Under the auspices of the Headmasters' Association of Bombay and Bombay Suburbs and the New Education Fellowship, a meeting will be held today (Wednesday), at 6 p.m., at the New Era School, when Dr. Mrs. Bhutta of The Tata Institute of Social Sciences and others will speak on "Mentally Handicapped Children and their care".

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "Divine Incarnations" is the subject of short talk to be followed by questions and answers today (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m., at Jehangir Wadia Building opp. Flora Fountain.

THE PROGRESSIVE GROUP: The following nominations have been received by the secretary for the election of the Office-Bearers and the members of the Standing Committee to be held at the Green's Hotel, on the 30th March, 1949 at 6 p.m.

President: Mr Karanjia S. K.
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SOCIALIST PARTY: At the annual meeting of the Municipal Section of the Socialist Party, held on Monday the following Office Bearers were elected for the coming year:—M. Harris Leader, K. S. Dharia and S. A. Kelustkar Joint Secretaries, Mrs. Vasanti Shroff Whip, Dr. A. R. Rangnekar Treasurer.

BOMBAY METALLURGICAL SOCIETY: Mr. R. A. P. Misra will speak on "Electric Furnaces in Industry". B.E.S.T. Hall, 6-15 p.m.

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Messrs. Dipchand Rupchand and Sons ..... Plaintiffs.
Versus.
Sentinel Insurance Co. Ltd. ..... Defendants.

His Lordship dismissed a suit filed by the plaintiffs to recover a sum of Rs. 25,000, on a cover-note issued on behalf of the defendant company by its agent on 17th November 1947 in respect of 116 bales of cotton lying in the village of Wanwade in Shirpur Taluka. The bales were destroyed in a fire which broke out at 3 a.m. on 18th November 1947. On receiving the cover note the company had wired declining to accept the risk. The Company alleged collusion between its own agent and the plaintiffs.

On a construction of the cover-note as a whole, His Lordship held that it was subject to the terms and conditions of the policy usually issued by the defendant company, and that the plaintiffs having filed the suit long after three months of the rejection of the plaintiffs' claim by the defendant company in contravention of one of the usual terms of the defendant's policy, the plaintiffs' rights were extinguished. His Lordship held that such a term of valid in law and the suit was not maintainable. His Lordship therefore dismissed the plaintiffs' suit on these two preliminary issues. The defendant company, however, did not desire to claim any costs from the plaintiffs and informed the Court that would pay ex gratia an amount of Rs. 6,600 to the plaintiffs.

Mr. K. K. Desai and Mr. M. R. Mody instructed by Messrs. Motichand and Devidas appeared for the plaintiffs.

Mr. H. H. Dalal and Mr. M. P. Amin instructed by Messrs. Shah and Chinubhai appeared for the defendants.

Indian Conference Of Social Work

"Dr. J. P. Bulsara, the Honorary General Secretary of the Indian Conference of Social Work, desires to inform all the members of the Central Executive Committee, that the meeting of the said Committee fixed for 2nd and 3rd April in Bombay has been postponed to 9th and 10th April 1949 with a view to facilitating the presence of the President—the Hon'ble Rajkumari Amrit Kaur—at the meeting. The meeting will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, 12 Wodehouse Road, Colaba, Bombay at the same time as notified earlier."

MEDICAL DEPT. CLERKS UNION: The annual general meeting of the Bombay Medical Dept. Clerks' and other subordinate services Union was held at the Gents' Common Room of the Grant Medical College, Bombay on Sunday. Members of the Union from District places had also attended the meeting.

Mr. M. M. Jape, Bar-at-Law was re-elected as President. There was a gathering and a variety entertainment programme after the meeting.

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12-50 p.m. News (M) 1-0 Mohammad Siddiq (Raj Baidev) 1-30 Musical Interlude 1-40 News (H) 1-50 Rang Tarang Variety programme in Hindi, Urdu and Hindustani 2-20 C. S. Gore (Thumri).

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LADY MOUNTBATTEN VISITS REFUGEE CAMPS

Impressed By Amenities Provided For Workers In Labour Colony & For Children In Industrial Home

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

High praise for the conduct of refugees in Bombay, especially of destitute women and young children, and the administration of the camps was expressed by Lady Mountbatten wife of Lord Louis Mountbaten, when she made a three-hour survey of refugee centres this morning..

Over 800 displaced and stricken women from Sind and Punjab and 500 young boys of the Nari Seva Sadan Kurla, gave Lady Mountbatten a warm welcome on her arrival at the home. She went through the barracks and talked with several inmates, some of whom were on crutches, unable even to get up. Visibly moved by the stories of patients in the Sadan's hospital, Lady Mountbatten expressed admiration for the manner in which they were conducting themselves under the difficult conditions.

The boys of the Sadan held a parade on the open ground at which Lady Mountbatten took the salute. She also inspected the "Nari Sala", the industrial home, and saw refugee women working on handicrafts and learning trades. Taking leave of Mrs. Mithuan Lam and Lady Masani, who showed her round the Nari Seva Sadan, Lady Mountbatten congratulated them on the rehabilitation work being done by the centre.

At the Akbar Refugee Camp, where she spent some time, Lady Mountbatten evinced keen interest in the management of the several activities for the relief of the large number of displaced persons accommodated in the camp. Major-General J. K. Bhonsle Director of Refugee Relief and Rehabilitation, Government of Bombay gave a detailed account of the steps being taken to give succour to the camp inmates. The Collector of Thana and the Surgeon General, Col Bhandari, received her on arrival.

Visiting the Society for the Rehabilitation of Crippled Children at Marine Drive at noon Lady Mountbatten saw paralysis-stricken children being massaged and heard an account from Dr. Baliga, the President, and Mrs. Fatima Ismail, the Secretary of the Society on the remarkable results being achieved at the clinic in the treatment of infantile paralysis in Bombay.

AT MATUNGA LABOUR COLONY

She spent nearly an hour at the Labour Colony, Matunga, run by the Bombay Government's Labour Department, where she was impressed by the several amenities provided for workers and the facilities for self-improvement offered to them.

Lady Mountbatten, who was accompanied by Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, Dr. M. U. aMscarenhas, Mayor, and Mrs. Krishna Hutheesingh, was led round the colony by Mrs. Babiben Mulji Dayal, Vice-President of the Bombay Presidency Women's Council, and Mrs. D. S. Bakhale, Chairman of the Labour Committee of the Council. She saw the various sections of the camp, inspected the sweepers colony and found the industrial home for children efficiently run.

Speaking at the request of the Mayor, Lady Mountbatten said she was impressed with the work being done by Government and the Women's Council and stressed the need for increasing consciousness to be brought to bear on the vital problem of making the life of the industrial worker as well-organised, clean and hygienic as possible. "There is no room for complacency", she said, "though I notice that the Camp has improved greatly since my last visit".

YOUNG PATIENT'S FATAL JUMP

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Vishwanath Hari Nalawekar, a 16-year-old-boy who was suffering from high fever and was admitted in the J. J. Hospital, three days ago, was reported to have jumped out of a window on the second floor of Ward No. 26 in the early hours of Monday morning. He died on the spot.

Vishwanath had come to Bombay from his native place three months ago and was staying with his brother at B.I.T. Chwal, Agripada. On Friday last he got high temperature and next day his brother removed him to J. J. Hospital where he was admitted in Ward No. 26. In the early hours of Monday morning Vishwanath is alleged to have got up from his bed while in a state of delirium due to high temperature and walked towards a window and jumped out.

The Bombay Coroner's jury today adjourned the inquest, after hearing preliminary evidence.
for all the three services.

CITY FIRM OFFICER ON MISSAPPROPRIATION CHARGE

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. C. V. Raman, who, it was stated, was in charge of the Shipping, Forwarding and Clearing Department of Messrs. Alfred E. McKenzie & Co., was arrested on a charge of misappropriation of Rs. 10,000.

Placing him before Mr. Oscar H. Brown, Chief Presidency Magistrate, today, the police stated that on the 10th March the accused was given Rs. 1,450 by his firm to be paid in connection with his departmental work.

It was later disclosed that this amount had not been paid by him to the party concerned. Further enquiries showed that several other sums amounting to nearly Rs. 10,000, had been similarly alleged to be misappropriated.

A complaint was lodged with the Police and the accused arrested.

He was ordered to be enlarged on bail, by the C.P.M. at the Esplanade Court today.

Beaverbrook's Nephew For Karachi

KARACHI, Mar 22 (UPI): Mr. William Aitken, an executive of the "Evening Standard" of London. Press Baron Beaverbrook's newphew, will arrive here on March 24 for a week's stay in Pakistan in the course of a round-the-world air trip.

WEATHER

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, March 22 (API.) Following is the daily weather summary for Tuesday March 22 1949:—

A western disturbance lies this morning as a shallow 'low' over west Rajputana and the adjoining parts of the southwest Punjab. It is likely to move eastnortheast.

There have been local light thundershowers in Assam and a few thundershowers in Malabar Isolated dry thunderstorms have also been reported from Orissa.

Forecast valid until the evening of 23rd:—There will be local thundershowers in Assam and the hills of the East Punjab and the west United Provinces. A few thundershowers may occur in and around Gangetic West Bengal and in the plains of the East Punjab. Isolated duststorms may also occur in the extreme north of Rajputana.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, March 22 (API.) Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, total rainfall from Dec. 1, 1948 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours I.S.T. on March 22 1949:—

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UNLICENSED BUCKET SHOP UNEARTHED

An unlicensed bucketshop was unearthed by the Bombay C.I.D. when it is alleged, they raided a house at Perry Cross Road, Bandra, on Saturday.

The C.I.D. have in this connection arrested Jffer Mohamed Merchant and his two sons Habib Jaffer Merchant and "Mohamali Jaffer Merchant on a charge of running a gaming house and receiving race-bets.

All the three accused were granted bail by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Court, today.

"Jainism, Independent Religion"

A largely attended meeting of the Jains of Bombay under the Presidentship of Shet Ratanchand Hirachand, was held at Sukhanand Dharmashala, C. P. Tank, on Sunday evening when representatives of Jains from Kolhapur, Sangli, Belgaum, Poona, Sholapur, Phaltan, Karanja, Baramati, Sangli, Miraj, Surat Ahmedabad, Akola Delhi, Indore and many other places were present. Messrs. Pandit Khubchand Shastry, Salekchand Vasichand Shah, Maganlal Shah, M.L.A. Gulabchand Hirachand, Rai Bahadur Rajkumarsinhji Hukumchandji Indore Premchand Devchand Shah, Kailaschand Jain, Mulchand Kapadia, Amratlal J. Vakharia, Prabhudas Bachordas of Mehsan, B. B. Patil, Jugan Mohanlal Shastry and Sri Laxmisen Maharaj Bhattarak spoke on Jainism.

Resolutions declaring Jainism an independent religion distinct from Hinduism, or any other religion in India, and calling upon the Government of India and the Congress High Command to recognise it; and requesting the Bombay Government to amend suitably the Bombay Harijan Temple Entry Act 1947 so as to make it inapplicable to Jains, were passed at the meeting.

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SEARCH FOR MAJOR PORT ON WEST COAST

Government Of India *Committee To* Visit Saurashtra

RAJKOT, March 22 (A.P.I.): The Major Port Development Committee of the Government of India, with Mr Kasturbhai Lalbhai as Chairman, will shortly visit Saurashtra under instructions from the Government of India to investigate the possibility of developing a major port on the coast of Saurashtra, it is learnt here.

The committee had made a survey of the existing port facilities at Sikka, a natural harbour in the gulf of Cutch, which is undeveloped at present, when the question of having one major port on the West Coast north of Bombay was taken up by the Committee.

The Saurashtra Government are inviting experts to carry out survey work of the port sites and recommend the necessary changes to convert one of them into a major port to be made available to the Committee when it arrives here in June or July.

At present, there are five big ports in Saurashtra, holding five lakh tons of steamer cargo and a similar amount of country craft traffic. Local committees with a Central Supervisory Committee are carrying out the day-to-day working of the ports. While the ports are being administered by the Saurashtra Government, the Government of India are collecting customs and the case of the Saurashtra Government for compensation is pending before the Indian Government.

BEWARE OF FRENCH IMPERIALISTS!

Plea For Referendum Under Joint Auspices

PONDICHERRY, March 21 (A.P.I.): A plea for joint auspices of French and Indian Governments for the conduct of referendum, was made by Mr. M. D. Zavarathinam, former member of the French National Assembly, Paris, interviewed by the Associated Press of India.

Mr. Zavarathinam said. "Now that December 11 has been fixed for referendum to decide our future, serious responsibilities rest on every citizen of French India. The freedom struggle of India cannot be said to be over until all these settlements are reunited with India.

In view of the Jaipur resolution there could not be any doubt whatsoever about India's readiness for conceding fullest autonomy asked for by the General Assembly of municipal councillors. It is imperative, therefore, that from now onwards, India should keep a closer watch on rapid developments and the subtle manoeuvres of the French imperialists and not leave preparations for the referendum purely to the French administrative machinery.

All arrangements in connection with the referendum should be carried on under the joint auspices of both India and the French Governments. This step alone would infuse confidence in people in French India to exercise their choice freely and fearlessly.

C. P. SPEAKER IN QUANDARY

NAGPUR, March 22 (A.P.I.): In the C P. and Berar Legislative Assembly today the Speaker Mr. G S. Gupta, stated after the question-hour that he would give his ruling on Thursday, March 24, on the point whether Dr. S. M. Hasan, former Minister should be permitted to make a statement in the House on the circumstances of his resignation of office.

Mr. Gupta, said he regretted the delay. He had hoped to give a ruling today, but some more time was necessary to enable him to refer to every possible authoritative book on constitutional law.

Dr. Hasan, who had resigned his ministership in the Provincial Government on the afternoon of August 14, 1947 sought permission of the Speaker yesterday in the Provincial Assembly to make a statement in the House on the circumstances of his resignation.

RURAL PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

NEW DELHI, March 22 (UPI): The annual conference of the Federation of Rural Peoples Organisations will be held in a village in Rohtak District on 7th April under the presidentship of Prof. N. G. Ranga, member of the Constituent Assembly and the Congress Working Committee.

The Food Minister Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram will inaugurate the Conference. Mr. Jagjivan Ram, the Labour Minister, Mr. Satya Narain Sinh, Chief Government Whip and Minister of State and several other members of the Dominion Parliament will attend the conference

Intensification Of Soviet Espionage In Sweden

LINKOPING, March 22 (UPI). Foreign Agents in Swedish uniforms have penetrated the underground aircraft factory of the Saab company at Linkoping.

Sweden has noticed that, ever since the question of the Atlantic Pact became acute, Soviet espionage in that country has been intensified.

Lt.-General Bengt Nordenskjoeld, C.-in-C. of the Swedish air force, is visiting Canada to study the Technicalities of Western military aid.

E. Punjab Youth Convention

NEW DELHI, March 22 (UPI): The first convention of the East Punjab Youth Federation will be held at Juldundur on March 27. The President of the All-India Youth Congress, Shri Mahamaya Prasad and General Secretary, Shri Premdutt Paliwal have issued a statement appealing to the youth of the Punjab to make the convention a success.

Primary Education In Bombay Province

PREMIER KHER REVEALS GOVERNMENT'S POLICY IN ASSEMBLY

Advisory Board To Be Appointed For Art Education

BOMBAY, TUESDAY.

THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY, WITH REGARD TO PRIMARY EDUCATION IN THE PROVINCE, HOLIDAYING AND CAMPING FACILITIES FOR TEACHERS AND CHILDREN, AND THE CONTROVERSY WITH REGARD TO THE PLACE OF COMMERCIAL ART IN THE J. J. SCHOOL OF ART, FIGURED PROMINENTLY, DURING CUT MOTION DISCUSSIONS IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY TODAY, WHEN MR. B. G. KHER, PREMIER AND MINISTER FOR EDUCATION MOVED A DEMAND FOR RS. 9,44,25,000 FOR EDUCATION.

APPROVED PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Dr. M. N. Natu moved a cut in order to raise a debate on the methods of improving the condition of approved primary schools in the Province, which are aided by local authorities. The cut motion was in respect of an item in the budget proposals, which seeks to extend to approved primary schools aided by local authorities, the same grants and other financial assistance given to mass literacy schools.' The item entails a recurrent expenditure of Rs. 73,000 per year, and a non-recurrent payment of Rs. 170,000.

Dr. Natu cited instances wherein these approved primary schools, many of which were doing excellent work, found it impossible to make both ends meet. In Poona, for instance, they had to depend quite often on donations from the public.

He suggested that Government should increase the grant proposed in the budget, and also try to raise the standard of education imparted, for mere compulsory primary education, without raising the educational standard, was inadequate.

Mr Tulsidas Jadhav suggested that there should be widespread, free and compulsory education and teachers in primary schools must be given facilities to attend Teachers' Training Colleges.

Replying to the debate, Mr. B. G. Kher pointed out that provision for primary education which used to be only Rs. 1,26,00,000 in 1938-39 had now been raised to nearly Rs. six crores.

Everybody admitted, continued Mr. Kher, that so far as "quantity" was concerned, they had definitely made some progress. The question was only about the quality of the education.

The Premier divided the institutions giving primary education into three different categories, namely training colleges which gave training and practical experience for teaching in primary schools, Primary Schools conducted by District Local Boards and Primary Schools conducted by private institutions.

Mr. Kher stated that unless they had a net-work of schools in all villages run by local authorities, they had to allow primary schools run by private agencies to continue, and they must improve their condition. He believed that these mass literacy schools would pave the way for compulsory primary education, which was the goal of the Government.

GRANTS

He said that the grants were based on average monthly attendance, and equipment grants at Rs. 50 per teacher

The Premier mentioned hat in order to prevent owners of the schools from appropriating Government grants by taking false receipts from their teachers, Government had instructed inspectors to make surprise checks.

All local bodies were not prepared to take over the administration of the schools immediately, like the Sholapur Municipality which was prepared to do so.

"Every effort is being made to spread primary education to all the villages of the province," said the Premier. For this purpose, no condition like minimum population was made compulsory. Government were already making experiments in backward areas, where the population per village was small.

Government hoped to cover the whole province with primary schools within a short period.

The cut motion was withdrawn.

Moving a cut motion to discuss the need to raise the level of the Commercial Art Section of the J.J. School of Art, Mr J. H. Shamsuddin said that the applied or commercial Art Section of the School was not getting the attention it deserved.

The fact that the 40 students in this section in 1935-36 had now grown into 350 or 44 per cent of the total showed its growing popularity.

He said that in spite of such a large section of the School going in for Commercial Art, only 10 to 15 per cent of the total expenditure on the School, was spent for Commercial Art.

He said that the treatment given to this Section ewas "not adequat, proper or just." This section has not even a typewriter," he added.

He felt that it was necessary to raise the status given to this section.

ART EDUCATION

Replying to the motion Mr. B. G. Kher said that Government were shortly appointing an Advisory Board for Art Education in the province, and they would take the assistance of this body in shaping the policy with regard to art education. There would be committees for different sections.

In criticising the working of the J. J. School of Art, it had to be remembered that there was only one art school for the whole province. This was total inadequate to restore art to the position it deserved. It was necessary to have art schools on a regional basis, the regional schools having curricula suited to their special needs.

Quoting from a "citizens" memorial on the subject, submitted to the Government, Mr. Kher said that the importance of commercial art did not mean its separation from the Fine Arts. The artist in ancient India was also an excellent craftsman. He had brought, romance "even to pots and pans." When art and craftsmanship separated, decadence started. Industry without art was barbarous.

Government, he said, were aware of the keen controversy between the protagonists of commercial and pure art. "All the controversy appearing in the Press is not so innocent as it looks", he said. It appeared, as though, there were interested parties behind. But Government's policy could not be shaped by such controversies, nor by the views of one section of students or teachers or the people. Government had to consider the traditions, needs of the people and many other relevant factors. He would not agree that there was a divorce between pure and applied art. There could also be "no proportional representation between the two sections."

Concluding the Premier said that he would consider all the suggestions made during the debate, but was not in a position to give any assurance. "I am very much puzzled as to whether all sections, should be, as a matter of principle, treated on an equal basis and on the same status" he added.

The cut motion was withdrawn.

HOLIDAY CAMPS FOR TEACHERS AND CHILDREN

Replying to another cut motion of Dr. M. N. Natu about teachers' and children's holiday camps, Mr. Kher said that Government had decided to provide camping facilities for primary and secondary teachers.

Five such camps were held during current year, and eight more were expected to be held during the next year. Government realised that there should be more such camps, and they would open them as sites became available. The suitability of military hutments for this purpose, was being considered.

These camping arrangements were not officially made by Government, but by teachers' organisations. Government only bore a part of the expenses.

Government had not been able to organise any camps for students, and had asked the Director of Public Instruction to investigate the possibilities and submit a report. They expected this would be done in the future.

There was a Board of Recreation in existence, and all available facilities in different departments were coordinated for this purpose.

The cut motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Tulsidas Jadhav who moved a cut to discuss Government grants to privately run Arts Colleges, subsequently withdrew it, without finishing his speech, when the Prime Minister drew his attention to the fact that the withholding of grant to a college run by the Ryot Siksana Sanstha, did not arise at all, as no separate grant had been sanctioned for that college.

ABANDONED HINDU SCHOOLS IN SIND

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI (By Air Mail): It is understood, the Government of Sind have now decided to restart the Primary and Secondary Schools abandoned by the Hindus in the interior of the province.

In the beginning, such schools in Sukkur, Dader and Larkana distdicts will be reopened but the difference will be that now there will be Muslim students, and that too Urdu knowing, and therefore arrangements will have to be made for the teaching of Urdu instead of Sindi as in the past.

It will be recalled, almost all the School buildings owned by Hindus have since their migration about 18 months ago, been continuously occupied by Muslim refugees as residences and all efforts of the authorities to get them vacated have met with stiff resistance all these days.

DAY-LIGHT ROBBERY IN SUKKUR

A daring day-light roobery is reported from Sukkur City wherein two persons are reported to have entered the shop of Seth Hassan Haji Ghani in the Grain Market and demanded all the cash at the point of revolvers.

On refusal, they fired some shots resulting in serious injuries to Seth Ghani. Thereafter the intruders made good their escape with whatever they could lay their hands on and before the neighbours could come to the rescue. Police soon arrived on the spot and are making necessary enquiries in the matter.

This incident has created much sensation amongst merchants of the town.

POLICE CONSTABLES SENT TO JAIL FOR BRIBERY

Two Constables attached to the Sukkur Police Station, Ali Mohamed and Lal Shah have been sentenced to six months R.I. each by the City Magistrate on a charge of accepting bribes.

Two Factory Workers On Hunger Strike

ALWAYE (Travancore), March 22 (API): Two workers of the Aluminium Factory at Alwaye have gone on a hunger strike since yesterday.

The factory workers, numbering 400 have been staging a satyagraha at the factory gates since March 3 following the failure on the part of the management to concede the demand of the workers which include increased wages, introduction of pay scales and annual bonus.

The negotiations, aimed at a settlement between the workers and the management, were going on for some time past but no agreement is reported to have been reached so far.

CALCUTTA RECEPTION TO REUTER DELEGATION

CALCUTTA, March 22 (API): Lord Layton, leader of the Reuter Goodwill Delegation, now visiting India, and Mr. C. J. Chancellor, General Manager of Reuters and Member of the Delegation, arrived in Calcutta from Delhi by air today.

Mr. Malcolm Graham, another member of the Delegation, is already in Calcutta.

Lord Layton and Mr. Chancellor were received at Dum Dum airport by an A.D.C. to the Governor of West Bengal Mr. W. J. B. Walker ('Statesman'), Mr. Tushar Kanti Ghosh ('Amrita Bazar Patrika'), Mr. Asoke Sarkar ('Hindusthan Standard' and 'Ananda Bazar Patrika'), Mr. J. C. Himkar ('Jagriti') Mr. Amal Home, Director of Publicity, West Bengal, and others.

BRITISH PUBLIC SUPPORT TO INDIANS IN S. AFRICA

Yusuf Dadoo Satisfied With Success Of His Campaign

LONDON, March 21. (PTI-Reuter)—Dr. Yusuf Mahomed Dadoo, President of the Transvaal Indian Congress, wants to return to South Africa as soon as possible—but is not sure what the attitude of the Union Government will be.

"They have still got my passport" he said. "They took it from me when I left for Europe in the hope of representing the Indian nationals in South Africa at the United Nations General Assembly in Paris.

"I took my case to the courts and got an interim injunction against the Minister of the Interior. The case is still being heard, and meanwhile my passport has expired.

"Now I am waiting to hear one way or the other what the South African Government is going to do.

FRENCH REFUSAL

"I shall have to get back to South Africa somehow. I have a wife and child in Johannesburg. My mother, five brothers and four sisters are also over there.

"I have applied to the South African authorities in London for travel documents to enable me to return. I have been told that no air line will issue me with a ticket unless I have proper documents".

South Africa House informed Reuter that Dr. Dadoo's application had been referred to authorities in the Union.

Dr. Dadoo never realised his object of going to Paris. The French Government refused to grant him a visa. He devoted his time in London to addressing public meetings on the problem of the Indians in South Africa and also went on a provincial tour organised by the India League.

On all these occasions he attacked the racial policy of Dr. Daniel Malan's Government.

Today he said: "My mission to Britain comes to a conclusion with a public meeting on Friday which will also be addressed by Mr. Paul Robeson. I am very satisfied with the way the British public has reacted to my account of what is happening in South Africa in the treatment of the non-white races.

POPULAR OPINION OF BRITAIN

"It is obvious that many people here view with growing concern the rapid deterioration in conditions in South Africa since the advent of the pro-Fascist Malan Government.

"Friday's meeting will be a manifestation of the increasing public indignation against South African racial policies and will reassure all those people in the Union who are fighting for justice and democracy that they have the full support of large sections of the British people.

"In the campaign now ending the British Government has been made aware that the public and a number of influential bodies concerned with safeguarding democratic rights and the welfare of colonial peoples do not approve of the stand hitherto taken by the British Government in condoning South African policy.

"There is a strong feeling that the British Government should take effective steps at the forthcoming session of the United Nations General Assembly to ensure that the South African Government abides by the fundamental principles of the United Nations charter".

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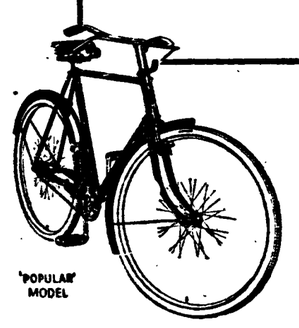

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BOMBAY BATSMEN SECOND KNOCK

Home Side Bat Again After Lead Of 352 On First Innings

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

When the last Baroda batsman had been dismissed this morning Bombay had an impressive and a match-winning lead of 352 runs. Ibrahim, however, did not enforce the follow-on and preferred to bat first as his bowlers were not particularly fresh and most of them were in need of some rest and secondly because he had no intentions of batting on wicket which might turn out to be uncertain by the time the fourth innings are played.

The dismissal of the Baroda tail was only a matter of time. For though Ghorpade, Gaekwad and Vivek Hazare all possessed a straight bat it was such as to afford a prolific partner like Vijay Hazare invaluable support rather than such as to increase the score. Ghorpade and Gaekwad showed sound defence and might have been far more troublesome to the Bombay bowlers had not the Baroda middle failed so dismally.

Bombay fared only a trifle better in her second venture than Baroda had done in her first. Apart from a century stand between Uday Merchant and Umrigar and a sound attacking knock by Mantri none of the Bombay batsmen were able to settle down. This was again due to bad batsmanship rather than to any fault in the wicket which continues to remain lifeless. Perhaps the bowling was consistent, but it was hardly ever anything more than so. Soboni made the old ball move either way off the wicket and beat the bat on a few occasions. Gul Mohammad was merely keeping a good length hoping that the batsmen would make plenty of mistakes. These mistakes were forthcoming not only from the batsmen but also from Umpire Vijayasarathy who appeared to have given his second wrong decision against Uday Merchant during the match. Uday payed forward to a ball which came in with the arm, appeared to catch the edge of his pad. The appeal from the wicket-keeper that followed was upheld by the umpire and Uday who had fared famously against the Baroda attack found the man in the white coat more than he could manage on two separate occasions. These are not the only two errors, however, genuine which the official in question made. During the last but one over of the day Phadkar edged Hazare through the slips, the ball crossing the boundary line at good speed with no fielder in sight. The batsmen made no attempt to take any run as the stroke was an obvious four. The umpire thought so too and forgot that the scorer thrives on the umpire's single and not on matters obvious or otherwise. This omission was rectified only at the close of play when the lost four runs were restored to the score-book. It might not be out of place to mention another incident during the match at this juncture also affecting umpire Vijayasarathy. In the Baroda first innings when the opening pair was batting, one of the batsmen took the ball on his pads and Rangnekar fielding at gully picked up the ball and threw it towards Mantri who was not prepared for it. The resulting overthrow produced a run which the umpire denoted as a bye and not as leg-bye. All of which brings us reluctantly to the conclusion that there is hardly any person in India good enough for the white coat.

Irani who opened the innings with Ibrahim was declared leg before to a late in-swing which would not have hit his stumps. The batsman, therefore was not prepared for the adverse decision from umpire Vijayasarathy which sent him back to the pavilion. Ibrahim edged a ball that came in with the arm and was neatly held left-handed, shoulder-high by Ghorpade at back and short-leg. Mantri was dismissed by a ball which went with the arm, while Umrigar lofted a catch to the bowler while attempting to place the ball towards mid-wicket. Rangnekar was rather unfortunate to be dismissed. He tried to drive a half-volley from Soboni, played over it and edged a wide ball on to his wicket. After being missed in the same place an over earlier Raiji offered an easy catch at first slip after collecting a very quick 22 including four fours, three off successive balls from Soboni.

Phadkar made quite a reluctant and late appearance at the wickets when nine wickets were down. After a very strenuous first class season, he is feeling particularly tired and had no intentions of batting in the second innings unless, as it turned out to be it became necessary. Dalvi at the other end went on quietly.

Nimbalkar decided to take the new ball immediately the 200 of the innings was registered. With only ten minutes to go Soboni and Hazare had a couple of overs each with the new ball, but Dalvi and Phadkar prevented the disappearance of the Bombay tail before the end of the evening.

Baroda is now 561 runs in the red with three Bombay wickets still intact. But what was, when Ibrahim decided to bat again, but remotely possible has been turned by the collapse of the Bombay side into at least a remote possibility.

THE SCOREBOARD

Bombay (1st Innings) 629

BARODA (1st Innings).

S. W. Soboni c Uday Merchant b Tarapore	63
S. K. Vichare c Mantri b Phadkar	56
H. R. Adhikari b Phadkar	0
Vijay Hazare c Mantri b Umrigar	96
Gul Mohammad b Phadkar	0
R. B. Nimbalkar b Phadkar	0
The Yuvraj of Baroda c Irani b Phadkar	6
S. G. Shinde c Raiji b Phadkar	18
D. K.Gaekwad c Phadkar b Tarapore	14
J. M. Ghorpade st Mantri b Umrigar	8
Vivek Hazare not out	5
Extras	6
Total	268

Fall of wickets:—1/122, 2/122, 3/130, 4/130, 5/132, 6/132, 7/239, 8/241, 9/262 and 10/268

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O	M	R	W
D. G. Phadkar	28	20	49	6
P. R. Umrigar	34.1	12	65	2
G. S. Ramchand	8	2	11	0
K. K. Tarapore	50	14	103	2
M. N. Raiji	11	1	31	0
B. R. Irani	4	3	3	0

BOMBAY (2nd Innings.)

K. C. Ibrahim c Ghorpade b Soboni	14
B. R. Irani lbw b Soboni	2
M. K. Mantri b Soboni	30
Uday Merchant c Nimbalkar b Gul Mohammad	70
P. R. Umrigar c and b Gul Mohammad	45
K. M. Rangnekar b Soboni	5
M. M. Dalvi batting	5
M. N. Raiji c Soboni b Gul Mohammad	22
D. G. Phadkar batting	8
G. Ramchand and K. K. Tarapore to bat	
Extras	7
Total (for 7 wickets)	209

Fall of wickets—1/3, 2/45, 3/54, 4/164, 5/173, 6/173 and 7/190.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O	M	R	W
S. W. Soboni	28	9	63	4
Vijay Hazare	19	6	38	0
S. G. Shinde	15	2	47	0
Gul Mohammad	9	1	25	2
Vivek Hazare	6	1	15	0
H. R. Adhikari	5	0	14	0

Umpires—Messrs. M. G. Vijayasarathy and P. K. Sinha.

MISS N. ARAJANWALLA ENTERS SEMI-FINAL

Women's Billiards Tournament

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

In a tame encounter in the quarter-final round of the Women's Open Billiards Tournament held this evening at the P.V.M. Gymkhana, Miss Nergish Arayanwalla easily beat Mrs. Pathare to qualify for the semi-final round against her sister Freny which is to be played tomorrow evening.

Mrs. Pathare, inspite of the fact she was not in a fit condition to play, nevertheless sportingly decided to play out her match with both her hands bandaged. Starting with a plus 25 handicap, Mrs. Pathare had in fact scored only 132 points by the time her plus 30 opponent, Miss Nargish Arjanwalla, finished the game which the latter won by 200-157 points.

Miss Arayanwalla, who is one of the two competitors to make a break of 19 in the present tournament, made a break of 13 points in the evening's match.

Empire Billiards Champion Concludes Madras Trip

MADRAS, March 22 (API): Robert Marshall of Australia, Commonwealth Amateur Billiards Champion, rounded off his four-day exhibition programme here with another victory when he beat Selvaraj of Bangalore, All India Billiards and Snooker Champion, by 1050 points to 435 in the final Billiards fixture tonight. The game was played on level terms and lasted two hours.

Though he made three-figure breaks thrice, Marshall was not at his best today with the result that many of what promised to be century breaks petered out at the 50 mark. It was worse with Selvaraj, for the National Champion struck a bad patch tonight and never recovered. Only once he looked like touching his form but was unlucky to pot the white at 18 with the result he had to stop his break at 63 after completing 15 hazards with the red.

Marshall's best breaks were 54, 163, 104, 54, 58, 53, 54, 56, 180 and 57. The best that Selvaraj could do were breaks at 44 and 63 respectively.

After the game Marshall gave some useful hints on the correct method of playing Billiards and also treated the spectators to some fancy and trick shots for a while.

Marshall is leaving for Coimbatore tomorrow by train to keep an engagement there on March 24. It is understood, Marshall's Bangalore and Mysore exhibition engagements have been cancelled for want of proper facilities. All the same Marshall will be visiting those place for sight seeing on March 26. Marshall is expected to leave for Bombay by air on April 1.

In The Day's Sport

HOCKEY

Bombay Gymkhana Ground

4-30 p.m. 'Times of India' vs. Goans (Replay).

5-30 p.m. Hindustan Aircraft vs. Lusitanians (Invitation Tournament).

Association Ground

4-30 p.m. B.P.T. "B" vs. Mazagaon Dock.

5-30 p.m. Black Spiders vs. Khatau S.C. (Jepsen Cup).

BILLIARDS

P.V.M. Gymkhana

6 p.m. Miss N. Arajanwalla (plus 30) vs. Miss P. Arajanwalla (plus 50). (Women's Open Billiards Tuurnament Semi-final)

FAIL IN

PAKISTAN'S FIRST MATCH IN CEYLON

Teams Announced For Today's Match

COLOMBO, March 22 (PTI-Reuter): Pakistan Cricket Team which arrived here on Sunday begin their tour with a two-day match against a 'Ceylon Eleven' tomorrow:

Following are the Teams:

PAKISTAN:

Mohammed Saeed (Captain), Alim-Ud-Din, Anwar Hussain, U. R. Chippa, Fazal Mahmoud, Imtiaz Ahmed, Khan Mohamed, Maqsood Ahmed, Mohamed Amin, Murrawat Hussein, Nazar Mohamed and Mohamed Aslam (Standby).

CEYLON:

Coomaraswamy (Captain), M. Rodrigo, M. Wright, C. E. Abeysekera, M. Kasipillai, E. C. Kelaart, G. Goonesena, Dijh Bahad, M. Salih, P. Callandine and B. B. Nathaniels.

India To Participate In World Football

CALCUTTA, March 22, (API):—India will participate in the World Football Tournament for the Jules Rimet Cup, to be held at Brazil in 1950, it is learnt here.

As thirty-two teams have already entered the Tournament, there will be several Elimination Rounds on Zonal basis. India will play in the Elimination Round of the Asiatic Zone against Burma and the Philippine, the third entry having withdrawn.

MALAYANS MUCH TOO GOOD FOR IRISHMEN

Win Every Game In International Badminton Match

BELFAST, March 22 (PTI-Reuter): The Malayan Badminton Team, Winners of the Thomas Cup and virtual world champions, won every game in an International Match against Ireland at Londonderry last night.

Results were: O. T. Hock beat F. W. Peard 15-3, 15-10.

T. S. Khoon and Hock beat Peard and J. J. Fitzgibbon 15-4, 15-11.

Y. T. Chye and C. K. Leong beat D. Green and T. Majury 15-10, 15-10.

O. T. Lim and L. K. Fong beat J. L. Rankin and T. L. Henry 15-1, 15-0.

LATEST CALLOVER FOR THE GRAND NATIONAL

Odds Against Six Leading Fancies Suffer A Drop

LONDON, March 21, (PTI-Reuter): Odds against the six leading Grand National fancies were cut at the Victoria Club Callover here tonight. This move was expected as most of them have been coupled in big doubles with the winning Lincolnshire Handicap favourite, Fair Judgment.

Most money was for the favourite Lord Mildmay's Cromwell who hardened to five to one. At the Callover last Wednesday he was an eight to one chance. It is 22 years since the favourite won the big Aintree Race. In 1927 Mrs. M. Partridge's Sprig, first choice at eight to one was successful.

Cloncarig is now firm second favourite at 100 to eight having come in from twenty to one.

Lord Bicester's Roimond who will be ridden by Irish Jockey Aubrey Brabason now that Cottage Rake is not to run, shortened from 20 to one to 100 to 6 and is third favourite.

FULL BETTING: 5 to 1 Cromwell, 100 to 8 Cloncarrig, 100 to 6 Roimond, 18 to 1 Happy Home, 20 to 1 Bricett, 22 to 1 Royal Mount, 25 to 1 Cavaliero, 28 to 1 Ulster Monarch and Platypus, 33 to 1 Flaming Steel, 40 to 1 Rowland Roy, Monaveen, Band, Royal Cottage, Wot No Sun, Gallery and Acthon Major, 60 to 1 Brighter Sandy, 66 to 1 Eighteen.

Will U. S. Boxers Break "Harringay Hoodoo"

LONDON, March 21 (PTI-Reuter): Three American Boxers who appear in the programme at Harringway Arena, London on April 4 Tommy Yaross (Light heavy-weight), Sandy Sanddler (Feather-weight) and Tony Janiro (Walter-weight)—will be trying to break the "Harringay Hoodoo" over American Boxers.

This popular London Boxing rendezvous has been unlucky for Americans since 1947. In that year two British Champions were thrashed. Bruce Woodcock having his jaw shattered by giant Joe Baksi, and Freddie Mills being knocked out by Lloyd Marshall, but there has not been an American success since.

Heavy-weights Lee Oma and Lee Savold and the Welter-weights Janiro and Billy Graham all failed to win there.

Yaross meets Dave Sands, the Australian Triple Champion. There line to their respective form throughOnelli Bell, a Detroit Negro. In August 1947 Sands knocked out Bell in two rounds in Sydney, and six months later, in Detroit, Bell defeated Yaross on points over ten rounds.

Saddler, whose opponent will Peter Fallon, Birkenhead light-weight, lost the world feather-weight title recently to Willie Pep, from whom he had taken it four months before. A 20-year-old Negro, he had been boxing from an early age, and won an Amateur Golden Gloves Championship before embarking on a highly successful professional career which led to his tenure of a world throne through only for a space of months.

Janiro will be renewing an acquaintance with Harringay, established well over a month ago, when he lost by points to Henry Hall of Sheffield. On this occasion he will meet Gwyn Williams, former Welsh Welter-weight Champion, Parry Hanjro, 22-year old product of one of America's big steel cities, Youngstown (Ohio), impressed as a punishing hitter on his last visit to Harringay, and will doubtless be "on his toes" to wipe out his failure on that occasion.

AGA KHAN SPRING CUP WINNER—MUBARAK

Proudly led in by his trainer B. R. Patel in the above picture is the thoroughbred six-year old MUBARAK, jointly owned by Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Wadia, whom the well-known Indian Jockey Pandu Khade steered to victory in the Aga Khan Spring Cup over the distance of a mile and a quarter. MUBARAK spread-eagled the field and cantered home by three lengths in the season's best timing of 2 minutes 5 1/5 seconds over this distance.

THE ETERNAL AMATEUR-PROFESSIONAL QUESTION CROPS UP AGAIN

Former English Selector Believes Cricket Would Be Like League Football If The Amateur Disappears

LONDON, March 21 (PTI-Reuter) The Amateur versus Professional question has cropped up again.

In Britain, John Daniel, a former English Cricket Selector and President of the S merset County Club, has been pleading for the retention of Amateurs in Cricket, While across the Atlantic in the United States, a well-known Sports columnist has said that a Professional in Britain is "only two notches higher than a Flunkey".

Daniel, 70-year of age and one of the "old school", said it was ridiculous to think of a Professional captaining England at Cricket and the Professional did not want to.

He said that the Amateur must retain, and the only way to keep him was to reduce the number of County matches. If the Amateur disappeared, he was afraid that cricket would develop to something like League Football, which would be bad for the game.

This promptly brought forth comment from British Sports writers, one of whom wrote, "Mr Daniel does no want to see cricket developing into something like League Football, but perhaps he has not realised that Soccer has become England's national game".

Other sports-writers think that Cricket would do well to take a lesson from Soccer and that the salvation of England's oldest game is for it to become, like Soccer, much more competitive with perhaps a Cup Competition as in Football.

The American Columnist was warning American Professional Lawn Tennis players coming to Britain that they would have to get used to being treated as "inferior beings", and telling Bobby Riggs and Jack Kramer that they would find things very different to Wimbledon, where they competed as amateurs, now that they have forsaken their amateur status.

Of course, this is rubbish, for professionals in most sports are usually very well treated in Britain today.

At least, Gold Professional Jack McLean, the former Scottish Champion, says so. He asserted that he felt just the same as he did when an ameteur. There was no social inferiority he said.

But it may now be asked not so much what is and amateur, but what is a professional, for the situation in Britain today is paradoxical.

One can be an amateur at one sport and a professional at another, according to the Rules of some Sports Bodies.

In others you are an enforced professional at other sports if you take money for playing one. For instance, if you are a Professional at any other sport, you cannot play Rugby Football as an amateur, but you can be a Professional Soccer player and play Lawn Tennis at Wimbledon as an amateur.

In some games, amateurs and Professionals may play together without the amateur infriging his amateur status. Cricket and Soccer for instance.

In other sports, Rugby Football and track and field athletics and Amateur immediately becomes a professional if he competes with or even against professionals. Such is the case with Lawn Tennis, but not with Table Tennis.

The whole position is most complex and it is no wonder that the Secretary of the Rugby League has asked that a Central Body should be set up to solve all these very muddling problems.

Many really do feel that it is time there were no amateurs or professionals in any sport and that all should compete as when they like, for whom they like and against whom they like, on the lines of Table Tennis players of the world today who know no such distinction as amateurs and professionals.

Boat Race Contestants Resume Practice

LONDON, March 21 (PTI-Reuter): Both Oxford and Cambridge boat race crews resumed their tideway practice this evening after a week-end's rest.

Oxford did not attempt any rowing but put in two spells of paddling. They appeared quicker into the water than they were last week, and the control exercised over the boat gave rise to general satisfaction.

Cambridge paddled with a Christ's College crew for some distance and then had a hard two-minute row against this crew. Their work was not altogether satisfactory. There was too much splashing evidence that the stroke was being rushed.

The crew appeared strong, however, and like Oxford were said to be "feeling fine" after their rest.

BENGAL BEATS C. P. AND BERAR BY THE ONLY GOAL SCORED

Will Meet Bombay Today In Final Of Women's National Hockey

NEW DELHI, March, 22 (API): The Bengal Eleven beat the C.P. and Berar Eleven by one goal to nil in the Semi-final of the Women's National Hockey Championship here today.

After an eventless first half in which the losers' "inner trio" made several attempts to worm through the Bengal defence for a lead the game livened up. In the seventh minute after resumption, right-out Doreen Stevens of the winners trapped the ball in midfield and ran solo to hit hard from an acute angle, as she turned anti-clockwise and beat the goalie (1:0)

The losers pressed at a fast pace rest of the time and though their leader Smith combined well with her other forwards towards the finish and managed to force a couple of short corners on Bengal they failed to equalize. The winners had strong defence in Shirley Hines and M. Stracey who disillusioned left-out O. Vaz of C. P. as she so often ran on her own. Left-hand D. Loustau of Bengal gave good support to her front line.

TEAMS

BENGAL: M. Radesca, S. Hines and M. Stracey. H. Fortescue, Be Catchick (Captain) and D. Loustau, Doreen Stevens, G. Elliss Stoddard. S. Stoddart, N. Jordan and P. Bocarro.

C. P. AND BERAR: P. Wood, I Clarke and O. DeCosta. S. Devine, M. Tobin and B. Ward; M. Brown, Lena Coz, Y. Smith. (Captain) M. D'Souza and O. Vaz.

Today's Final at 5 p.m. Bombay vs. Bengal.

Inter-Railway Boxing To Be Held In Calcutta In April

CALCUTTA, March 22 (API): The All India Inter-Railway Boxing Tournament will be held under the auspices of the Indian Railway Athletic Association at the Fort William Stadium, Calcutta on April 7 and 8. Railway boxers from different parts of India are expected to participate in the tournament.

Invitations have been issued to all Railways. The East Indian Railway, the Bengal Nagpur Railway, the South Indian Railway and the Assam Railway are understood have already sent in their entries.

The organisers are reported to have decided to conduct this year's tournament on the basis of one open knock-out tournament for all participating Railways, thus discontinuing previous year's practice of holding preliminary Zonal Tournaments at different Railway Centres.

In addition to the actual tournament, a series of special contests will be held between selected Railway boxers and selected Bengal boxers on the April 12.

Punjab Police Hockey Team Leaves For Bombay

AMBALA, March 22 (API): The Punjab Police Hockey Team left last evening for Bombay to participate in the Aga Khan Cup Tournament.

PRESSMEN AND GOANS DRAW AGAIN

Invitation Hockey Tournament

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

"Times of India" and Goan Sports "A" met again for a second time in the Invitation Tournament and failed to arrive at any conclusive result. Both sides shared two goals.

The game was rather a tame encounter and there was nothing much to choose between the two outfits. Gregory Fernandes aided the Goans S.C. today, having obtained a temporary transfer from the B.B. and C.I. Rly.

Forcing the pace from the outset, the Pressmen invaded the nine-men Goan team and within a minute, forced a penalty corner, when Goan custodian Walter D'Souza stopped F. Correa's left flick with his hand. The pressman failed to convert the corner.

Another minute later, Gregory Fernandes, the former B.B. and Bombay, left-winger, joined his new team the Goan Sports; and about the same time Anthony Braganza completed the depleted Goan side.

With Gregory gracing the Goan left-wing, that territory was well-managed. With inside-left Anthony Braganza giving Greg ample support; the latter sent across some of his capital left strokes.

Forcing the game into the Pressmen's half, Gomez straight drove a terrific centre, which custodian Brown stopped but before he could clear it, Eddie Correa, who lay handy, had tapped it beyond the goalline to give the Goan Sports the lead.

Thereafter play was mainly restricted to mild-field with the Pressmen making futile attempts to secure the equaliser.

The early goal against them rather unsettled the Pressmen for they immediately made several changes in their side. Tony Vaz, who had been leading the attack, took over as pivot in peace of Rodricks, who in turn was put on the right wing. Goans Sports crossed over with this solitary goal advantage.

Goan Sports had a very good chance of going ahead when Caesar Gomes made some spectacular runs down the line and centred. One one occassion the ball went wide lent on the second ocassion Caesar Gomes passed to goal area and the pass was well received by Anthony Braganza, who shot but it was saved by Brown in goal.

Times of India gained a penalty corner at the other end for obstruction in the circle and Frank Correa converted, putting the Pressmen on even terms. Play was rather dull and anyone looked like scoring but both goalies saved well.

Times had a good chance of scoring and Elly tried twice but Walter D'Souza affected brilliant saves and prevented the all important goal being scored. Transferring play Anthony Braganza was fouled badly when well positioned to score. Full time saw the scores even and extra time was played.

In the final stages of play rough play and frayed tempers were freely used and it looked as though anyone might be injured. Extra time was played and no good resulted as very little constructive play was evident.

THE TEAMS:—

"Times of India" "A"— Brown,, Roberts; P. Fernandes, H. D'Souza, J. Rodricks. L. D'Souza; L. Braganza, J. Vaz, T. Vaz, F. Correa, T. Elly.

Goan Sports "A"— Water; Joaquim D'Souza; G. D'Costa; S. D'Souza, C. Fernandes, C. Pereira; C. Gomes, F. Almeida, E. Correa, A. Braganza; G. Fernandes.

Umpires:— Lobo and A. Pearce.

BANGALORE CHALLENGES IMPRESS

Earlier in the evening Hindustan Aircraft of Bangalore put in an appearance and were getting used to the Bombay ground. They are serious contenders for both the Invitation trophy, as well as the Aga Khan Trophy. They gave a very good account of themselves this evening when they beat Bombay Port Trust by five goals to nil.

SATURDAY'S RACE ENTRIES

The following are the entries for Spring races, fifth day, to be held on Saturday, 26th March:—

THE DELTA PLATE (H'cap, Horses, C ID)—Distance 6 furlongs.

Pramila; Parting Summer; Pankaj; Some Treasure; Ramal; Pippy; Evelairs; Illicit; Doorani; New Moon; Flying Arrow; Full House; Raj Doot; Sunbathing; Fair Haven; Red Bird; Je Reviens; Ma'maselle; Flotilla; Pia; Simon's Sister; Thalwil.

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THE MAHABLESHWAR PLATE (H'cap, Indian Horses, C IID)—Distance 1 mile.

Rana Pratap; Goodwill; Repartee; Futurity; Aan Baan; Baaz Bahadur; Khundil; Truman; Laila; Shubh Laxmi; Chin Up; Medallion; Big Blaze; Rajput Warrior; Put All; Paramount Power; Royal Mantle.

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THE SANTA CRUZ PLATE (H'cap, Indian Horses, C IV)—Distance 1 mile.

Windsor Knight; Lady Cleopatra; My Pet; Cockpit Pride; Blue Lotus; Ajinkya Tara II; Flying Clipper; Ghizala; Spring Chicken; Ayaaz; Nirvana; Vie On; Full Poppy; Rashtrapati; Prospero; Courage; Coeur d'Or; Helmet; Malakeh; Moulin Rouge; Her Excellency; Mah-I-Nau; Embarkation; Here Again; Dark Roy; Atomic; Demyanti; Shah Nawaz.

This race will be divided into two divisions.

One division to be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

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THE OWEN ROE PLATE. (H'cap, Indian Horses, 4 yrs old and over, C V, Maidens)—Distance 1 mile, 1 furlong.

Ganga Singh; Little John; On and On; Gurjari; Midinette; Mussoorie; Gold and Silver; Izador; Duchess of Ramgarh; Chandrakor; Mon Ami; Amar Hind; Phone Again; Prove It; Magic Love; Jahan Zaib; King's Star Abdel; Yemin ul Mulk; Jai Malhar; Lalkar.

This race to be ridden on even terms by Apprentice Jockeys who have not ridden 10 or more winners.

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THE BELFRY PLATE. (Terms-Indian Colts and Geldings, 3 yrs old only, C V, Maidens)—Distance 6 furlongs.

Lerins; Pelion; Lira Malt; Joe Louis, Triple Alliance; Heartbreaker; Musafir, Zalim; Bara Mulla; Tawaqul; Bihari; Desert Kid; Furat; Leader; Pride of Hindustan; Loyal Prince; Reshone; Pessimist; Pretty Town; The Conqueror; Big Boss; Kennereth; Poldo; Summer Lightning; Mack.

This race will be divided into two divisions.

Both divisions to be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

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ADDITIONAL RACE.

The following additional race has been framed for this day:—

THE CONSOLATION PLATE—Winner, Rs. 5,000; Second, Rs. 1,500; Third Rs. 1,000.

A Handicap for Indian Horses in Class V, winners, that have run during the current Bombay Meeting and not won.

DISTANCE—6 furlongs.

FOOTBALL FOR MILL-WORKERS

League To Start At Parel In First Week Of April

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

An Inter-Mills Football League has been arranged and will be played at Parel commencing in the first week of April. Entries should be forwarded to Mr. Jos Gonsalves, Cordeiro House, Parel, Bombay.

This tournament has been specially organised in order to encourage football among the mill workers on an organised basis.

St. Mary's Prevails In Schools Hockey League

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

In the Inter-Schools' Hockey League for the Ahmed Sailor Cup, St. Mary's High School lowered Dufferin's colours this evening when they scored a solitary goal win.

Gordon Hanson scored the all-important goal for St. Mary's in the first half of play.

Trichy Team Wins Easily

ERNAKULAM, March 22 (API): The match between the Trichy Sporting Club Team, Trichy and the Penguins Team, Ernakulam in the Rama Varma Memorial All India Tournament played here this evening in the College Grounds here ended in an easy victory for the visiting team by five goals to one. The Trichy Sporting Club Team is to meet the Mysore Police Team tomorrow.

Ceylon Invites Indian Football Team Next Month

CALCUTTA March 22 (API): The All India Football Federation has, it is learnt, received an invitation to send a Football Team to Ceylon next month.

A decision on the invitation is expected to be taken at the A.I.F.F.S general meeting, to be held in Calcutta on March 27.

The Bombay Chronicle

If patience is worth anything, it must endure to the end of time. And a living faith will last in the midst of the blackest storm.

—MAHATMA GANDHI.

EDUCATIONAL POLICY

The debate, in Parliament, on demands for grants to the Ministry of Education reaffirms the fact that full execution of various plans, which the Central Government has on hand, is hampered by financial difficulties. It also leaves an impression that the Government is perhaps unduly lenient in the enforcement of its policy and over-confident about the thoroughness of educational planning. Regarding the medium of instruction for elementary education, the Minister of Education, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad reiterated that children between the ages of six and eleven should be educated in their mother tongues and then he added that the Government has adopted a resolution on the subject. Proceeding he declared that certain Provinces are not following the instructions of the Government and that the latter will not sit quiet on a question like this which is of vital importance. It is surprising now to learn the disregard shown by certain Provinces especially when Maulana Azad had stated in the meeting of the Central Advisory Board of Education in January that all Provinces had accepted the principle of the mother tongue as the medium of instruction. Since the educational policy for the entire country is laid down by the Central Government, the Provincial Governments should have no option in carrying it out in its full details. Let us hope that the latitude, which any provinces might have begun to enjoy, does not develop into a habit of defiance. The Government should be uncompromising in the enforcement of its educational policy and programmes.

The question of foreign training elicited a complaint from Mr. Ajit Prasad Jain that a number of students, returning from abroad after the completion of their education, could not get suitable employment. Maulana Azad's reply was that the Government is greatly handicapped in giving employment to such students because of the partition of the country and its consequent results. The priority in the matter of employment assigned to refugees cannot be disputed; but the question of unemployment especially in the case of students who are Government scholars should not arise. The disposition of such students after their return to India should be a part of the plan of foreign scholarships. They should be allocated to educational institutions or approved industrial concerns so that they would, first of all, serve the country by imparting training to other. The Government, according to the review published by the Ministry of Education, seems to have realised the importance of allocation. It now proposes that only such students will be sent abroad as are already in service or can be absorbed in specific undertakings in operation or planned.

Social education is one of the major educational problems. According to the scheme adopted by the Government it embraces in its scope what has hitherto been known as adult education. In order to make a beginning the implementations of the scheme the Government has made provision in the budget for assisting the Provinces in liquidating illiteracy. Since social education connotes much more than m ere adult literacy, the Central Government should not rest with the sanction of grants to the Provinces. It should issue definite directives to them as regards the setting up of the necessary organisations, so that the scheme may be implemented with efficiency and economy. Much will depend upon the constitution of Committees and boards needed for the purposes of social education. Members of such bodies should be competent and experienced and should be moreover "workers" in the true sense of the term.

Women And Public Service

Delivering the convocation address of the Lady Irwin College, Delhi, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru exhorted Indian girls not to let marriage interfere with service to the community. The advice cannot be too often impressed upon Indian girls or their parents or those others who can help in releasing women from domestic cares at least for a part of the day Till the advent of Mahatma Gandhi in Indian politics women workers were extremely rare. That was due mainly to age-old custom which confined women to household work exclusively and secluded them from society in general. Gandhiji's construction programme released thousands of women workers all over the country. But a vast majority of girls still allow marriage to cut short all service to the community many are not educated enough to render efficient service. Many others find it difficult to release themselves from domestic cares. Not a few find themselves burdened with too many children to find any leisure.

If things are to be mended it is not enough to advise girls not to allow marriage to interfere with service to the community. In the first place women's education has long been woefully neglected that special intensive efforts must be made to bring it up to the requisite level. Shrimati Durgabai suggested in Parliament last week that facilities should be given to women to appear for university examinations as private students without keeping terms at school or college and that they may be allowed also to work as part time teachers in schools. These suggestions deserve to be seriously considered by Government and Universities as they will help a large number of women, even married women, to be trained and work as teachers. A much larger number of women teachers than are at present available will be necessary to cope with compulsory education. When women become accustomed to serve the country as teachers, they will soon be ready enough for various other forms of service. The state should provide creches to enable women workers to leave their children there during their periods of work. Finally, fairness to women and public health demand that the State should provide an adequate number of birth control clinics to save women workers from the strain and cares of too frequent motherhood.

Revealing Testimony

For the Government of South Africa and for the Whites, the Durban Riots Inquiry ended the other day on an embarrassing note. The last witness to appear before the "Judicial Commission" was a White man but a sort of White who might as well not have given his testimony and his views regarding the riots and the responsibility of the authorities. He was a Mr. Charles Pettifer, an amusements caterer, who arrived in South Africa from Britain some seven months ago. This Briton told the Commission that he witnessed the beginning of the riots and on that day he had seen eight policemen near the railway station, three of whom were shouting "kill the coolies, kill the coolies". This is the testimony not of a coloured Asian but a White European. Nor is that all. There has been a controversy as to the conduct of Durban's Police Commandant, Major G. Bestford, during the riots and his general policy and attitude. It is interesting to note that Mr. Pettifer was asked by Major Bestford to make a statement—naturally in the latter's favour—but Mr. Pettifer refused. And he refused because in his opinion, and from certain remarks passed by Major Bestford "that man was biased against Indians". The importance of Mr. Pettifer's evidence—and that importance was recognised by Major Bestford himself in a striking manner—lies in the fact that he is an outsider and yet a White man. He had nothing to gain, but much to lose, from exposing the white authorities and virtually testifying to the innocence of Indians. His evidence constitutes for the outside White world a complete vindication of the Indian case against the Whites of South Africa and the White policy of its Government.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

LONDON, March 21.

An economic and cultural agreement between Russia and the Korean Peoples Democratic Republic (North Korea) has been signed in the Soviet capital. Moscow Radio reported late Sunday night.—PTI-Reuter.

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Opposing the proposed referendum in French Indian Settlements, Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, the Congress President, says: "Britain has quit and the French also must quit unconditionally".

The French probably think that Britain was craven and foolish.

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Mr. R. L. Purushottam, President of the French Indian Congress, says he is surprised that the French Commissioner, M. Camonilly, had used the platform (of the Municipal councillor's meeting) to voice the French case exhorting the Municipal Councillors to remain within the French Union".

But doesn't Mr. Purushottam know that France has always had a mission, the "mission civilisatrix," and it is the sacred duty of every Frenchman to push it forward from every platform?

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"We have" says Mr. Purushottam, "not the least confidence in the fairness of the French as regards the referendum and the international observers would not be of much avail unless they are empowered to conduct the whole referendum including the laying down of the procedure, the same as in the case of Kashmir".

What nonsense. Mr. Purushottam must please understand that France is a Western Imperial Democracy and, therefore, nothing can be allowed, which is in any way derogatory to its Sovereignty.

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According to a Hyderabad report, Nawab Moin Nawaz Jung, Finance Minister in the Laik Ali Government (and leader of th "Hyderabad delegation" to U.N.) has been dismissed from service.

Too late. Nawab Moin Nawaz Jung got in first, so to speak, with HIS dimissal of the post-Laik Ali Government in Hyderabad.

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President Truman has signed a bill granting permanent residence in the U.S. to Dr. Chog Kwai-Lui Chinese scientist, who helped develop the atom bomb.

—PTI-Reuter.

Naturally, naturally. But the lady would do well to be careful and not to crossss the Mason-Dixon Line any where, in any way, atom scientist or no atom scientist.

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Washington, March 20: The U. S. State Department yesterday warned the men in the Kremlin that it would be dangerous for them to underestimate the West's power and determination, etc., etc.

Just as the West underestimated Mao Tse-Tung's power?

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MOSCOW report: The Soviet Army newspaper "Red Star" says the proposed Pacific Pact is intended to be an addition to the "progressive" North Atlantic Pact.

Well, if the Soviet Army paper the "Red Star" describes the Atlantic Pact as "progressive", we can only agree.

Administrative Reforms In Marwar

STATE DIVIDED INTO SIX DISTRICTS

By Kanhaiyalal D. Vaidya

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THE VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS INTRODUCED BY THE POPULAR MINISTRY IN MAR WAR WHICH, FOR MANY GENERATIONS, HAS REMAINED A FEUDAL STATE OF RAJASTHAN ARE ENUMERATED BY THE AUTHOR IN THE SECOND ARTICLE OF THE SERIES ON MARWAR OF TODAY. THE FIRST OF THE SERIES APPEARED IN OUR YESTERDAY'S ISSUE.

After centuries the people of Marwar were entrusted with the popular administration. The new Ministry had to face the volcano of feudalism which was kept burning with the firewood autocracy, communalism and reactionarism. The leaders of the Marwar Lok Parishad who have spent the best years of their lives in Jail were called upon to take charge of the complicated machinery of Government during a period that came to near being one of chaos and disintegration. At such a critical time the first rank leaders of Lok Parishad Shree Jainarayan Vyas, Shree Dwarka Dass Purohit and Shree Mathura Dass Mathur entered the Government machinery and the old leader Shree Mithalal Trivedi "KAKA" took the organisation work of Marwar Lok Parishad on their shoulders. Those who have witnessed the wire-pulling and armed demonstration of Rajputs and Jagirdars confess that there would have been chaos and disintegration in Marwar had it not been for the courage and wisdom of Lok Parishad Ministers.

ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS

The Popular Ministry has re-organised the District Administration on the Provincial model. It will enable the Ministry to devote more time to matters of policy of general administration.

From 1st January 1949 the scheme for district administrative reforms has been introduced. The State has been divided into six districts with headquarters at Barmer, Jalore, Jodhpur, Pali, Nagaur and Merta each under a Deputy Commissioner, who controls the entire administration of the district except the Civil Courts which are responsible to the District Judge. On the Revenue side the scheme contemplates a village administration on the lines of that obtaining in Indian Provinces. Each village will have a headman or a Patel, a Chowkidar and a Patwari who may have more than one village in his Patwari circle.

JUDICIAL REFORMS

Now the Judiciary will be directly under the High Court constituted under the Government of Jodhpur Act, 1947. Of the District and Sessions Courts which were all centralised in Jodhpur, two will now move out to district headquarters.

The Legislation Department has been very active since the assumption of powers by the Popular Ministry and a number of enactments have come into force in order to bring the administration on the lines of that in Indian Provinces.

The Public Prosecutors meant for conducting Criminal cases in the High Court and in the Court of Sessions were directly under the Inspector-General of Police, and on the cadre of the Police Department. In preferring appeals against orders of acquittal in cognizable cases, they received instructions from the I.G.P. This was irregular, and Public Prosecutors have now been placed under the Government Advocate, and removed from the cadre of Police Department.

UNSATISFACTORY FINANCES

On assuming responsibility for the entire administration of the State in September last, the popular ministry found that the State Finances were in unsatisfactory condition. Firstly there was a legacy of past deficits of Rs. 130 lacs. Secondly, the new budget showed a further anticipated deficit of Rs. 140 lacs, which meant a total liability of about Rs. 2 crores and 70 lacs. For a State with an annual income of only 2½ crores the prospects of such a big deficit and its increasing trend could not be looked upon with equanimity. But the task of improving the finances was not easy. New taxes could not be introduced in a hurry, nor could large curtailment in expenditure be affected indiscriminately.

BALANCED BUDGET

The problem was, however, not only faced but solved satisfactorily. The Finance Minister, Shree Dwarka Dass Purohit, who is a tried and experienced leader and lawyer of Marwar, drew up in a short while well considered proposals for stabilising the finances. These proposals involved reduction in existing expenditure and increased revenue from existing and new sources. Due to these proposals, the vigilance over expenditure and saving of about a crore of rupees due to absence of procurement programme of foodgrains on account of de-control, the position today is that inspite of an unexpected huge expenditure on famine, payment of arrears to Jat Personnel and of emergency allowance to other ranks and revised pay and emoluments for Inferior Service there are very good prospects of balancing the budget for 1948-49. A Stores Purchase Committee has been appointed to purchase the Government requirements economically from suppliers directly. State Garage has been reorganised. Cars have been withdrawn from over twenty persons not entitled to State Cars, petrol supply has been strictly controlled by introducing quota system. Excise duty has been increased. Road transport service enlarged and a committee has been appointed to suggest suitable increase in the Rekh Chakri amount at present received from Jagirdars.

INCOME-TAX PROPOSALS

There was a cry from interested and reactionary circles about income tax. The Popular Government to carry on Nation Building activities took up the question of introducing Income Tax which had been under contemplation for the last three years and an estimated revenue of Rs. 60 lacs was anticipated. The Marwar Chamber of Commerce has welcomed the principle of Income Tax and appealed the Marwar Congress to help them in solving the problem amicably. The Marwar Congress while welcoming the declaration of the merchant community that they will stand by the Congress has appealed to the Jodhpur Government to reconsider their proposals. The Government, however, due to the impending merger of the State with other Rajputana States, has not gone ahead with the assessment and recovery of this tax and has dropped them.

ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMITTEE

Apart from the Retrenchment Committee, an Anti-Corruption Committee has been set up with the Arth Mantri as Chairman. A couple of officers with established bad reputations, bad records of service and with a number of complaints against them have, after necessary enquiries, been dismissed and the case of others are pending consideration and decision.

FAMINE RELIEF

Scarcity and Famine are not new to Marwar, A country whose vast population depends mainly on agriculture which in its turn depends solely on rainfall, timely and well-distributed, is bound to be stalked by Famine when rains fail or are ill-distributed. Such has been Marwar's fate this year. The worst affected districts are Nagpur, Didwana, Phalodi, Shergarh, Pachpadra, Jalore, Jaswantpura, Siwana, Sanchore, Barmer, Parbatsar and Sendra. The Popular Ministry in order to relieve the distress of the people has ordered to arrange for grain, fodder, water, grant of doles and gratuitous relief in hard cases, open relief works, assist migration and to grant Taccavi. Nearly 21 lacs rupees are estimated as expenditure in the above relief works.

EMIGRATION OF CATTLE

In order to save their cattle from starvation, the cattle owners of Marwar move out to Mewar, Hadote or Malwa in search of pasturage for their cattle. So far about 100 to 120 thousand heads of cattle have migrated from Marwar to U.P., Hadote and Malwa. The Government of Rajasthan had agreed to accommodate 20 to 25 thousand cattle in its territory, Madhya Bharat about 50,000 cattle and so also Bhopal for grazing.

FOOD PROBLEM

In Marwar a total population of over 19 lacs has became affected in the famine affected area. Marwar, even in normal years is a deficit area and had been importing foodgrains even in some of the best crop years, as the following figures of import will show:—

Years	Wheat (Mds)	Bajra & Jowar (Mds.)
1937-38	817960	5,17,310
1938-39	14462258	13,49,895
1939-40	1436101	1,15,718
1940-41	2394483	2,16,218
1941-42	136545	12,229

The popular Ministry has, with the help of the Government of India, arranged for more grain which is being distributed through relief quota shops in famine area. To conserve food and prevent wastage of foodgrains a Dinner Control Order 1948 has been promulgated which bans the holding of big dinners.

Inspite of famine and economic crisis the popular Ministry has contributed 3 lacs rupees for Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund and a sum of rupees one lac to the fifty-fifth Jaijur Session of the Indian National Congress.

KHADI AND COTTON INDUSTRIES

The Popular Ministry has arranged for the supply of controlled superfine and fine varieties of Mill cloth which are used comparatively by the richer section of people, in such a way, that it would be sold at 20 per cent over the ex-mill rate of the cloth. If this scheme succeeds, the extra margin of 5 per cent thus realised would give a revenue of about Rs. 1,80,000 per year and the Government have earmarked this amount to subsidise Khadi and Cottage Industries. Generally the Government has fixed maximum retail price of cloth as 15 per cent over the ex-mill rate.

(To be continued)

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Muslim Railway Employee

Sir,—With a view to implementing the orders of the Government, on the partitioning of India, the Railway Board had circulated a memorandum through "Extra-ordinary Weekly Gazette" No. 26 of June 21, 1947 that every railway employee in India should be given the option of serving in the future Pakistan State or in the Rest of India with the clear understanding that the existing terms and condition of service are guaranteed by the representatives of both the future Government, and that a "Provisional Choice" now exercised will not in any way prejudice the employee's seniority and other condition of services, and staff that elected to serve "Provisionally" either in Pakistan or in Rest of India will have further one more right to make a declaration "finally" in either cases. Accordingly enumerations were taken at different railway headquarters.

But the staff who opted merely "Provisionally" for Pakistan thinking that the Railway Board had assured them and had provided the margin of returning back to India within the prescribed time of six months, worked for sometime in Pakistan and naturally as they thought they can return back to India as per rule, exercised their option finally "India" and returned with due letters. But on arrival in India after reporting to the Railway Authority, they were kept in suspense.

"By opting provisionally for Pakistan such staff had not transferred our loyalty to Pakistan Government at all".

Recently it is rumoured that the staff are to be removed, who opted "Provisional Pakistan" and subsequently changed the option to India.

Lastly and most earnestly I appeal the Railway Authorities for justice and ask them to re-consider such cases sympathetically.—Yours, etc.

LONG SUFFERING.

Air Mail And Postal Rates

Sir,—Apropos the increase of half anna for first-class mail that is to become effective from the first of next month, may I offer the following suggestion for the consideration of the Finance Minister? While I welcome the gradual change-over of all first-class mail from surface to air route as a result of the additional levy, the position within large cities such as Calcutta, Delhi, Bombay and Madras remains unaffected. In other countries of large size such as India, as for example the United States of America, they have a local mail rate which is less than the country-wide mail rate. In view of the considerable amount of local mails handled in our large cities, I suggest that the existing rate of one and a half annas be retained in the case of local deliveries.

Yours, etc.

K. P. GANAPATHY.

"Language And Script"

Sir,—My attention has been drawn to your leader "Language and Script" in the issue of 14th March.

Your criticism of Shri Vinoba's suggestions about Nagri script reform is misconceived. The only thing he suggested was that instead of writing unvoweled consonants in two ways as at present i.e. either by dropping the vertical stroke at the end of the letter and making it a half letter, or by adding a diacritical mark at the foot of the full letter there should be a uniform way of following only the latter method. The suggestion is in the interests of simplicity in learning, writing, typing and printing and I understand, will be indispensable in teleprinting. It conforms with the system of writing in Tamil and Malayalam. But even if the suggestion is not accepted, there is no reason to feel alarmed about it. Yours etc.

K. G. MASHRUWALA.

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

The Poison

The 'Soviet Literary Gazette" has confirmed what we had all along suspected: Dostoevsky is a wicked enemy of the revolution and of the revolutionary democrats. How wicked may be judged from the fact that it has taken all these years to discover his crime. The Russian novelist has been found guilty of "bourgeois cosmopolitanism" which is a "poisoned weapon for the ideological corruption of the people." Much of this might seem vague but we readily get the idea. Masquerading as the liberator from bourgeois morality, Dostoevsky pulled a fast one over not only the Soviet leaders of opinion but even over discerning critics like Merezhkowsky and Thomas Mann. Mann was cautious in commending Dostievsky "in moderation". But comrades and fellow-travellers imbibed him in large doses. Even the fact that, unlike Esenin and Mihailovitch, he did not commit suicide but had died a bourgeois death after eight years of comparative prosperity, did not serve to open the eyes of the simple Red Russians. We are grateful to the "SLG" for even this belated realisation. In the literary life of a classical writer, a few twenty-five years is nothing. Now that the great awakening has come, let our progressive writers be well warned. We must first pluck this "poisoned weapon" from our bosoms and cast it aside. Then we must set about getting rid of the poison which doubtless persists—for the "poisoned weapons" of this Dostoevsky must be all the more terrible because of its slow working. Let there be no trace of bourgeois cosmopolitanism among the faithful. Dostoevsky once narrated the plot of a story he had planned in his youth in a family circle that included a number of young girls. "Fyodor Mikhailovitch", exclaimed the mother of the household raising her hands in horror, "have pity on us. The children are listening". Times's whiligig which brings on its revenges, has once again turned the trick Dostoevsky's turn is ended. The good Russian matron has won. The "SLG" by its revelation has fully vindicated her. "The children are listening" and the Red revolution has made us all, the faithful, into children. No appeal to a wicked enemy would yield results. Obviously, Dostoevsky must be stopped.

The Cure

The Soviet Government may be relied on to follow up the "SLG's" denunciation with adequate measures to protect "listening children". So far as the people outside the Soviet influence are concerned, there is nothing to be done. It is too late to think of stopping the infamous classics of Dostoevsky from crossing the frontiers. Among the bourgeoisie, this poison will be lapped up like nectar. We can but despise the benighted bourgeoisie and leave them to stew in Dostoevsky's poison. As for the bourgeois cosmopolitan, words fail us as we look over this doomed and despicable specimen of sub-humanity. Let them all rush headlong to destruction. It is the true Communist that concerns us. Subject to too long a dose of this not-easily-to-be-mentioned disease, Bourgeois cosmopolitanism, he needs immediate and effective treatment. Something must be done. In haste, we dip the Red Flag for these victims of Dostoevsky.

Leakage Of Examination Papers

It is deplorable that owing to widespread leakages of question papers, the University of Madras has indefinitely postponed several examinations. Such leakages have taken place before and a member had reason to complain in the Madras Legislative Assembly that they are "almost becoming an epidemic year after year in this province." Scandals like these are probably more common than they are supposed to be. Not always do they happen to be discussed publicly or lead to postponement of examinations. Examinations so dominate the system of education in India that numerous students get tempted to resort to objectionable methods in getting at examination questions, and they tempt others to resort to similar practices. To combat such wide-spread dishonesty universities need to adopt strict and elaborate measures to prevent the slightest leakage. Punitive measures after the mischief is done will hardly suffice.

Malpractices In Administration

Mr. Harekrishna Mehtab, Premier of Orissa, admitted in the local Assembly the prevalence of corruption in the administration but gave a curious explanation of the evil. Before independence, he said, there was fear of the superior authority under which the officers and employees were working, but that fear had gone with the attainment of independence. To the extent that fear has gone, why has it gone? It cannot be as a matter of course. The context of Mr. Mehtab's remarks suggests that wrong-doing officers expect to be shielded by some political party or other. And we agree with h'm that all parties should agree not to tamper with the service organisation, Ministers too can help by warning officers against any mal-practice and also, reassuring them that they will be protected in the strict discharge of their responsibilities. The commonest evil is that some influential members of the party in power seek to browbeat officers by threatening to use their influence with the ministers. Such individuals must be sternly dealt with by the officers and ministers concerned.

Kashmir Administrator

The selection of Admiral Chester Nimitz to be Plebiscite Administrator in Kashmir takes the settlement of this question several steps forward. The individual himself is less important than the fact that he commands the support of the U. N. Security Council, Admiral Nimitz has in addition the confidence of the American people and he will find it a powerful factor in his favour. The Kashmir situation has not many complexities to it but the Administrator's task is rendered difficult by the attitude of Pakistan which is insistent on having its own way in every matter. In the last analysis, much will depend on Admiral Nimitz's skill in negotiating a delicate diplomatic corner. He has this advantage that he can count on full co-operation from India and from the State of Kashmir.

A Strange Set-Up

The composition of the re-constituted Bombay City Adult Education Committee seems to be rather crowded. Perhaps its determination was influenced by the notion that in the largeness of the size lies the strength of a such body. As a matter of fact the competency of any such committee should be estimated in the terms of the collective educational experience and not the numerical strength of its personnel. A surprising feature of the Bombay Committee is that an official of the status of educational Adviser to the Government is placed in the rank of ordinary members and asked to work under those who are less qualified and experienced in matters of educational

OPEN AIR

I had no idea that my enemy, the cockroach, was so popular as an item of diet with so many other creatures until quite recently. It has such an unpleasant smell that I had always imagined that its taste would be equally unpopular. I have, however, often seen the large House Spider chase and capture a cockroach and stand over it until it had sucked its body dry. I have also come across numbers of cockroach wing-cases left behind by the blind mice when they had had a feast in some quiet corner.

Occasionally I have seen hens pecking up cockroaches which have been disturbed from their hiding places during the day and eating them with apparent enjoyment. This morning I watched another interesting sight. I threw a dead cockroach out into the garden and within a second a cheeky little house sparrow flew down, seized the dead insect in its beak, and flew off to a little distance to enjoy its unexpected treat. This was not allowed, however, for another sparrow darted down, picked up the cockroach and flew off with it. Then there was a chase, with more and more sparrows joining in the game, which ended with the coveted morsel being lost and forgotten, while all the birds indulged in a free fight.

D.R.

NIMITZ APPOINTED U. N. ADMINISTRATOR FOR KASHMIR

WILL ENSURE FREE AND IMPARTIAL PLEBISCITE IN STATE

LAKE SUCCESS, March 22, (PTI-Reuter): United States Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, former Allied Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific, was today officially appointed United Nations Administrator for the plebiscite to determine whether Kashmir joins India or Pakistan.

Admiral Nimitz is 64 and has had a distinguished naval career.

Terms governing the appointment of a United Nations plebiscite administrator require that he would be "a personality of high international standing and commanding general confidence."

He will be formally appointed by Kashmir and derive from that Government the powers he considers necessary for organising the plebiscite and ensuring its freedom and impartiality.

All civil and military authorities within Kashmir and the states political leaders will be required to co-operate with him.

The administrator will appoint two commissions, one of Indian and the other of Pakistani nominees, to aid repatriation of all Kashmir citizens who left during the fighting.

The Administrator, "in consultation with the Government of India" will determine the final disposal of Indian and state armed forces in Kashmir "with due regard to the security of the State and the freedom of the plebiscite."

When his job is complete the administrator will report to the United Nations Commission and to the Kashmir Government.

The commission will then report to the Security Council whether the plebiscite was "free and impartial."

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz.

ADMIRAL NIMITZ

Biographical Sketch

The appointment of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz as Kashmir Plebiscite Administrator brings to this important job a man who has amassed a wealth of administrative and military experience in several of the highest command posts in the United States Navy.

As Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet during World War II, Admiral Nimitz led the largest U.S. naval force ever assembled, from the early battles at Midway and in the Solomons to eventual victory over the Japanese in August 1945. In November of the same year Nimitz replaced Admiral King as Chief of Naval Operations in Washington, a post which he held until December 1947, when he retired from active naval duty.

Born 64 years ago in Fredericksburg Texas, he has spent the major portion of his life in the Navy. Upon graduation from the naval Academy at Annapolis in 1905 he was assigned to the Navy's China Station in command of the gunboat PANAY. A few years later he began a career in submarines which led to his appointment in 1918 as chief of staff to the commander of the U.S. Atlantic submarine fleet. In this responsible post he was charged with preparing and dispatching submarines to join the Allied fleet in European waters.

After World War I, Nimitz served the Navy in various capacities, including a term as aide on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief of the United States Fleet. In 1926, he was ordered to the University of California to establish the first Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps. By the time he had completed this task in 1929, he had been promoted to captain.

After several other ship and shore commands, Nimitz in 1935 became assistant chief of the Bureau of Navigation. Four years later as a rear admiral, he assumed duty as chief of the Bureau, a post second in importance only to the Chief of Naval Operations.

AFTER PEARL HARBOUR

On December 17, 1941, ten days after Pearl Harbour, Admiral Nimitz was ordered to replace Admiral Husband E. Kimmel as Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet. Commanding the largest naval battle force ever gathered and a theatre of operations encompassing 65,000,000 square miles, Nimitz directed the Pacific fleet from one victory to another—from Midway to the Solomons, from the Carolines to the Marianas and finally to Tokyo itself.

In December 1945, as a fleet admiral, the highest rank in the U.S. Navy, Nimitz was appointed Chief of Naval Operations, succeeding Admiral Ernest J. King. He remained in this post until December 15, 1947, when he retired from active service, turning over his duties as number one man in the Navy to Admiral Louis Denfeld, a fellow submariner. Announcing his retirement, Nimitz said that he would be available for any job the President might give him in the future.

The Kashmir Plebiscite Administrator is known to his associates to be a man of decisive action, yet calm, unruffled and methodical in his approach to any task set before him.

FRENCH ELECTION RESULTS

Clear-Cut Victory To Premier's "Third Force" Government

PARIS, March 22 (PTI-Reuter): Complete official returns for the French Departmental elections on Sunday gave a clear-cut victory to Premier Henri Queuille's "Third Force" Government over Communists and Gaullists.

The Ministry of Interior's final figures gave General De Gaulle's Rally of the French People 26.3 per cent and the Communists 23.5 per cent of the votes cast.

The Government is expected to consolidate its electoral gain next Sunday in elections in the 785 districts where no candidates received absolute majority.

The main groups, according to official figures, elected the following number of Councillors: Communists 17, Socialists 108, Radical Socialists 126, Popular Republicans 36, Independent Radicals and Independent Republicans 185, Gaullists 170.

American Regional Conference Of I. L. O.

NEW DELHI, March 22, (A.P.I.): The Fourth American Regional Conference of the I.L.O. will be held at Montevedio in Uruguay, from April 25 to May 7.

The 19 American States which are members of the I.L.O. are expected to be represented by Tripartite delegations composed of two Government representatives, and one representative each of employers and workers. Three American States, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Paraguay who are not members of the I.L.O. have been invited to be represented by observers.

"Create Public Opinion To Combat Communism"

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should come from the Centre and should be applied to the whole country.

Sir Fazul Rahimtullah did not agree with Mrs. Alva and said that if the Bombay Government felt that a certain measure was to be adopted to help maintaining the peaceful life of the province, it should not wait for directions from the Centre. Sir Fazul felt that Government should first of all remove the basic causes of the spread of Communism, which, he said, were shortage of food, clothing and shelter. He also advised Government not to over-tax people as it would create discontent.

MORARJI'S ASSURANCE.

Mr. Morarji Desai, referring to the suggestion made by a member that the Government of India should ban the entry of Russians to this country as a reprisal measure against the Russian refusal to grant visas to Indian nationals desiring to visit that country, said that "if we follow in the footsteps of Russia, there will be no difference between their and our ways".

Agreeing with the view that they could not minimise the communist danger in India, the Minister said that they should first analyse and find out how best to deal with this menace so that the people of India and particularly of this province might be safeguarded from chaos and anarchy. He assured the House that Government were taking all steps to meet the situation and would continue to do so as long as it was their duty to look after the interests of the province.

He expressed his conviction that the permanent solution to eradicate the evil lay not necessarily in Governmental action of banning the party or their publications, which they would not hesitate to do at the proper stage, but in the creation of public opinion against this dangerous political philosophy.

"NO FALSE STEP."

"Any false step taken by Government at the improper stage would perhaps do more harm than good and we have to consider the probable reaction of the people of the country before resorting to these measures", he declared. In the normal course it was not Government's intention to prevent any party from carrying on its activities peacefully as that would conflict with the democratic spirit. But in an emergency Government would not hesitate to take action if its activities tended to be violent. Accordingly, action has been taken against individuals who have been disturbing the even tenor of our social life.

He illustrated how the threatened railway strike fizzled out, which, he said, was not mainly because of Government action, but because of the whole-hearted co-operation from workers and the public in general.

The House passed a resolution, moved by Dr. G. S. Mahajani, urging the Government to take early steps to amend the Bombay University Act so as to enable the University to make suitable, separate provision for the admission of "external" students with a view to meeting effectively the increased demand by serving adult for higher education.

COTTAGE INDUSTRIES SCHEMES IN U. P.

Shri K. D. Malaviya, Minister for Industries and Development, U.P., performed the opening ceremony of a special show of the work of the Cottage Industries Schemes in rural areas at the U.P. Handicrafts, Hazratganj, Lucknow.

INTEGRATION OF ASSAM STATES

Prakasa's Discussions With Chatterjee

GAUHATI, March 22, (A.P.I.): Sri Prakasa, Governor of Assam, accompanied by Mr. A. B. Chatterjee, Joint Secretary, States Ministry of the Government of India, and Mr. K. N. K. Rustomjee, Governor's Adviser for Tribal Affairs and States, left for Imphal (Manipur State) by air this morning. The party is expected to return to Gauhati on March 24.

Mr. Chatterjee, who arrived here yesterday, by air from Delhi, held a brief joint discussion with the Governor, Premier Bardoloi, and Mr. Rustomjee. The visit of the Governor and the Joint Secretary of the States Ministry to Manipur State follows the recent declaration of the State's Ministry of the Government of India to integrate Benaras, Khasi States, Manipur, Cooch, Behar, Rampur, Tripura and Tehri Garwal States approximately with due regard to geographical and other considerations.

Hunger Strike Against Hunger Strike

NEW DELHI, (UPA): A middle aged Sikh staged a successful hunger strike against a hunger strike here.

Eight disgruntled inmates of the Kingsway refugee camp had been fasting six days in protest against living conditions when the Sikh, also a refugee, announced he would starve himself to death unless they ate something.

He put a cot and a jug of water under a tree near the other fasters and lay down. The others eyed him for 24 hours and then gave in.

Together, all nine broke their fasts with a meal of fruit and buffalo milk.

PLEA FOR EXPANSION OF INDO-ITALIAN TRADE

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Addressing members of the Italian Economic Mission at a party given by the Indian Merchants Chamber, in Bombay, today, Mr. Bhavanji A. Khimji, President of the Indian Merchants Chamber put forth a strong plea for the expansion of trade between Italy and this country on a complementary basis, laying particular stress on the need for the purchase of manufactured goods from this country instead of confining trade between the two countries to purchase only of raw materials from India.

The discussion between the Committee of the Indian Merchants Chamber and the Mission centred on the prospects of India securing assistance from Italy is the matter of capital goods and industries and the services of technical personnel. The Mission assured the Chamber of affording for Indian personnel all facilities for training in factories and industrial concerns.

While acknowledging the fact that in the context of altered circumstances, the trade between Italy and India would inevitably show a change, the Honourable Mr. Schiratti, leader of Mission, stated that Italy was prepared to absorb finished articles from India, but expressed his doubts with regard to India's capacity to fulfil Italy's requirements. He further expressed his appreciation of the very commendable efforts which the country was making to improve her economic and social conditions and the hope that India would make quick progress in all directions.

M. Schiratti also assured the Chamber of giving precedence to its suggestion that a trade agreement should be signed by the two countries and added that this aspect of the discussions would be prominently dealt with by the mission in its recommendations.

Later, the Italian Mission was accorded a reception at the Taj Mahal Hotel by the All-India Manufacturers Organisation.

Select Committee To Report On Finance Bill

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a ramnant of the old Civil Service consisting of Englishmen and Indians, here in India fortunately, whatever criticism they might pass upon their officers, they had a body of men trained in administrative work and entirely loyal to the new regime.

It ought to be the business as much of the Government as of public leaders in the country to educate people to a proper sense of money vales. But till they were able to reach that condition, they must reckon on the fact the man's ordinary motives must receive a certain amount of satisfaction.

CONFLICT IN TAXATION

A problem which was raised over and over again, in the course of the debate was the conflict and overlapping between Central and Provincial taxation. The Finance Minister admitted that it was time they did something to remove the scope for the conflict or overlapping that existed under the present system. How it was to be done was a problem. There were two ways of doing it. It was possible to reach some kind of agreement. If that was not possible, they had to consider very seriously whether the House in its constitution-making capacity, should not make appropriate provision.

NATIONAL PLANNING

Reviewing the work of the National Planning Committee and how it had been interrupted, Dr. Matthai said that the whole national planning, with which the Committee was concerned, was based on the idea of a unified India. Every time the question of planning was mentioned before the Partition, it was not acceptable to the Coalition Government and it was therefore impossible for the Committee to proceed further. The Partition brought about a serious situation. The question was how to preserve the economic structure. Dr. Matthai said: "By the time the National Government found itself in a position of responsibility, at that stage the position before us was not to create a new order but to preserve the existing order from going to pieces. That is the problem which we have to deal with so far.

The Prime Minister is very actively considering at present the setting up of a Planning Commission with the idea of tying up the loose ends and finding out whether it is possible to piece together the fragments and make some progress, on the basis of previous work.

Dr. Matthai referred to the criticism that the procedure suggested by him for consideration of the Economy Committee's recommendations, firstly by the Advisory Committees of respective Ministries would slow down progress, and said that in view of the great deal of suspicion about the Government in the matter, it was desirable that the Government was able to carry the views of the Standing Committees. It was just possible that the Government's decisions might be unsatisfactory or unacceptable to the House. When the proposals came before the Standing Committees, he would invite the Chairman and Secretary of the Economy Committee to sit along with the Standing Committee so that the latter might have the points of view of the Government as well as the Economy Committee.

CONTROLS

On the question of control, the Finance Minister pointed out that the Government had resumed control only in regard to essential commodities, because they realised the limitations of Government in the matter. They had a very defective instrument in their hands with which to deal with the problems of control. It was only in regard to the articles where the need for control was almost inescapable, they had adopted control. During the period of decontrol, prices shot up and it was very difficult for any responsible Government to resist the feeling that there was some kind of relationship between control and price.

In regard to the question of distribution of cloth, the position at present needed improvement, and he had the assurance that things would progress and in a very short while they would be able to see a very considerable improvement in the distribution of cloth.

PROHIBITION SCHEME

Replying to Sir Homi Mody's enquiry whether the provinces had obeyed the Centre's directive in regard to Prohibition, Dr. Matthai, said that except the Provinces of Madras and Bombay, all other Provincial Governments had gone as far as their commitments could permit to meet the directive of the Government of India and they were doing it in gradual stages.

As regards the question of issuing Bearer Bonds, the Finance Minister said that he did not propose to encourage it. He was against the proposition because the introduction of Bearer Bonds would not help the solution of the problem of tax evasion.

REPLY TO BUDGET CRITICS

Explaining the "discrepancy" in the Budget Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure, Dr. Matthai said that speakers had not done justice to the Finance Ministry when they criticised them in this regard. The developments in Hyderabad, and in Kashmir, the untoward developments in regard to refugee problem, the failure of the crops and the necessity of importing large quantities of foodgrains—these were things which not even the wisest Finance Minister and his staff could have anticipated in 1948. On the Revenue side, the largest single item of revenue was customs. It was somewhere in July, the Government decided to liberalise the import policy. The Finance Minister would not have anticipated that early in 1948.

As regards larger income-tax revenue, he said when Government were faced with unanticipated expenditure under defence and food-subsidies, they thought it necessary to raise the revenue as much as possible and one of the methods adopted by them was to speed up the collection of arrears. They had also introduced the system of provisional assessments.

Maintaining that the withdrawals from the cash balances were utilised for capital expenditure, Dr. Matthai said that during 1949-50, the Government proposed a total expenditure of Rs. 240 crores out of which they were meeting about Rs. 130 crores by withdrawal from the cash balance.

Dr. Matthai dealt at length with the question of having an Estimates Committee on the lines of the one the House of Commons was having at present to scrutinise the expenditure of the Government. He said that it would not be possible here unless the Parliament sat all round the year. Further the usefulness of the Estimates Committee of the House of Commons was greatly exaggerated.

Dealing with the agricultural finance Corporation, Dr. Matthai suggested that it was better the Provincial Governments set up Agricultural Finance Corporation. Any assistance they wanted would be given by the Centre. He recommended the setting up of the Corporation on the basis of co-operative institutions.

RUSSIAN PLANNING SYSTEM

Dr. Matthai then referred to the Russian Planning system and said: "As regards the system of Russian planning is concerned, it must be granted that the thing which makes their planning system work with such effect and with such sense of unity was the fact that through all the strata there is an element of force by strong loyal men who keep the things together. It is not distinguishable from the most undemocratic Government you can think of."

At the conclusion of the speech, Babu Ramnarain Singh asked when the Control would be removed. Replying, Dr. Matthai said: The question of control was very close-bound up with the level of prices. "If we are able to increase the supply to such an extent more or less equal to the demand, then that will be the time for the removal", he said.

The House then agreed to the motion to refer the Finance Bill to a Select Committee to report by March 25. The House then adjourned till tomorrow.

SEVERE CYCLONE HITS COMILLA

COMILLA, March 22, (UPI): Four persons were killed and nearly 60% of the houses in the town were either razed to the ground or damage when a severe cyclone accompanied by hails swept over Comilla last night. Many kucha houses collapsed, a large number of trees and electric posts were uprooted and electric wires snapped. The Roman Catholic Church and the Civil Supply godown at Chahlmar also collapsed.

Further details are lacking.

Survey Of Indian Villagers' Incomes

NEW DELHI, (UPA): To find out how much money the average Indian villager spends and earns, teams of labour officials will begin door-to-door inquiries in nearly 2,000 villages into this month.

Farmers and labourers will be asked to answer questions about their employment, income, family budgets and indebtedness.

The survey, expected to cost Rs. 10 lakhs, has been arranged by the Ministry of Labour in accordance with the Minimum Wages Act of 1948 which provides that farmer's wages should be fixed by the Government within three years.

A number of university students will take part in the work of the survey.

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The Government of Bombay has extended upto 31st March 1950 the period of validity of all Charcoal and Firewood Licences issued by the Licensing authority under the Bombay Charcoal and Firewood Trade Licensing Order, 1949, which are due to expire on 31st March 1949.

U. N. OBSERVERS FOR KASHMIR

Move For Implementation Of Provisional Truce

NEW DELHI, March 23 (API.) Four U. N. Military observers, including Col. Alexander Mccone and Brig A. V. Tremaine Chief observers, who have been here for conclutations with the United Nations Commission on Kashmir left for Rawalpindi today with certain specific instructions regarding the implementation of the provisional Truce Line.

The Truce-Sub-Committee is holding continuous discussions with the Commission to expedite the Draft Truce Agreement. After the meeting between the Commission and the Truce Sub-Committee this morning, it was indicated that, considering the Pakistan proposals regarding the Truce Agreement against the present background of the Kashmir situation and the stand so far taken by the Government of India, there might not be much difficulty in evolving a Truce Agreement acceptable to both Governments.

India's proposals regarding the Truce Agreement are expected to be submitted to the Commission this week by Sir Girja Shanker Bajpai, Secretary-General, External Affairs Ministry, before the Commission's departure for Karachi by the end of this month. The Commission has decided to hold the second series of its joint meetings with Indian and Pakistan representatives at Karachi. The Commission is likely to shift its head quarters to Srinagar by the middle of April.

Deep-Sea Fishing To Be Undertaken In Cochin

ERNAKULAM, March 22 API.) Deep-sea fishing employing the latest methods in catch and preservation, is shortly to be undertaken in Cochin.

The special feature of this scheme will be an inland "farm" where various kinds of fishes would be reared up for some time so as to ensure a continuous and regular supply of fish to all the markets in central Kerala, and Cochin State in particular. Iced, salted, and smoked fish, fish meal, fish leather, margarine, fish glue, fish oils (edible and industrial and fish manure will also be manufactured. It is stated that it will go a long way to alleviate the food problem in Cochin State where 85 per cent of the population rely on fish as a staple food.

Dr. Zeuner's Mission In India

MADURA, March 22 (API): Dr. F. E. Zeuner Professor of Geochronology, Institute of Archaeology, London, who has been touring India for three months at the invitation of the Archaeological Survey of India to examine soils in different parts of the country in relation to prehistoric man, is now on a tour of south India.

It is likely that Dr. Zeuner will, at the end of his investigation, set up for the Government of India a petrological laboratory at Dehra Dun to carry on the examination of soils and gravels in relation to early man.

People IN THE NEWS

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, March 22:

The Hon. Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Mrs. Gilder, the Hon. Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Lt.-General Maharaj Shree Rajendrashinji, Rani Rajendrashinji, Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Kitson, Monsieur and Madame Jeus Schive, Mr. and Mrs. Joachim Alva, Mr. K. G. Saiyidain, Dr. and Mrs. K. B. Bharucha, Mrs. Mithan Lam, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Captain, Mr. Kanji Dwarkadas and Mrs. Safia Khan came to lunch.

The Governor and Rani Maharaj Singh attended an "At Home" given by the Hon'ble the Premier.

Rani Maharaj Singh accompanied Countess Mountbatten to the All India Village and Cottage Industries Exhibition at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall.

The Governor and Rani Maharaj Singh gave an "At Home" to members of the Bombay Legislative Council and the Bombay Legislative Assembly at Government House.

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DELHI COURT CIRCULAR

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, New Delhi, Monday March 21, (API):—The following have arrived— Rt. Hon. Mr. Anthony Eden; Commander A. H. P. Noble.

TUESDAY, 22nd March 1949.

In the morning the Governor-General received the following: The Hon'ble Dr. B. R. Ambedkar; The Hon'ble Shri Jairamdas Daulatram.

The following came to luncheon:—The Prime Minister; H.E. Lt. Gen. Sir Archibald and Lady Nye; The Hon'ble Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel; The Hon'ble Shri G. V. Mavlankar; Shri and Shrimati Devadas Gandhi.

The following have left: The Lord Layton: Dr. and Mrs. Shrewsed Eddy; The Rev. H. A. P. Popley.

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G. L. MEHTA & H. L. DE

CALCUTTA, March 22 (API): Mr. G. L. Mehta and Dr. H. L. De President and Member respectively of the Indian Tariff Board, who are now in Calcutta visited a rubber factory at Belghurria yesterday to study first-hand certain difficulties experienced in the manufacture of rubber goods.

They also visited there a textile machinery factory and a number of glass works at Sodepur and Dum Dum.

Indian Delegation To Forestry Conference

The International Forestry and Timber Utilisation Conference for Asia and the Pacific which will deal mainly with technical problems relating to forests, will open in Mysore on March 28. The Indian delegation to the Conference will consist of the following members:—

Representative: Mr. T. Vijayaraghavachariar.

Alternate Representatives: Mr. A. F. Hamilton, Inspector-General of Forests, Government of India.

Mr. C. R. Ranganathan, President, Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun, and the Chief Conservators of Forests of U.P., Madras, Bombay, C.P. and Berar, East Punjab, Orissa Mysore, Himachal Pradesh, Madhyabharat Union, Rajasthan, the Director of Forests, West Bengal, and Dr. S. Kamesam, Timber Constructional Engineer, Mangalore.

Advisers: Mr. T. K. Mirchandani, Forest Engineer, Bombay.

Mr. J. Banerji, Project Officer Central Waterways, Irrigation and Navigation Commission.

Mr. C. A. R. Bhadran Dineos Forest Education, Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun, and

Mr. A. R. Vyas, Deputy Principal Information Officer, Press Information Bureau, Government of India (Press

Central Govt. Bear Godse Trial Expenditure

The entire expenses in connection with the Gandhi murder trial were borne by the Central Government, according to a statement made by Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, Government of Bombay, in answer to a question put by Mr. R. N. Mandlik in the Bombay Legislative Council today.

Mr. Desai repudiated the suggestion of third degree methods and said that, as far as he was aware, the police did not use any objectionable methods in the course of their investigation.

Saved Buddhist Relics

PATNA, March 22, (A.P.I.): The sacred relics of Sariputta and Maha Moggallana, the two chief disciples of Lord Buddha, which came back to Patalipura, capital of their home province, on Sunday after a lapse of about 2,500 years, have been kept in the Patna Museum, one of the important store-houses of antiquites. The exhibition of the relics is open to the public.

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"Complaint Books" are maintained in all the cloth and foodgrains ration shops for the cardholders or couponholders visiting the shops to note points of complaint, if any, found in the working of the shop. It has been noticed that members of the public while noting down their complaints in the "Complaint Books"; fail to sign their names legibly or to give their address in full.

In order to investigate their complaints, in most cases Rationing Offices have to contact the complaints but if their names and addresses are not properly given, this becomes impossible. All card and coupon holders are, therefore, requested to sign their names fully and legibly, as also to give their full address after noting down their complaints in the "Complaint Books" at the ration shops.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

SHARP DECLINE IN TATA STEELS BUT MILLS STEADY

BOMBAY, March 22.

The local share Bazar displayed weak tone in Steel shares which registered a sharp decline in quotations. It was talked on the floor that this time there would be increased deliveries of Tata Steel Defd. shares and the Syndicate would find it difficult to take them up. It is too early to rely on such rumours but the same had considerable effect on the market sentiment resulting in increased offerings. Thus Steel shares suffered considerably while cotton mill shares maintained the recent improvement but buyers were reluctant.

Tata Steel Defd. shares opened at Rs. 1,615 against the last close at Rs. 1,670. At the opening there was scattered covering and the market improved at Rs. 1,612-8 but met with increased selling pressure and Defds. came down at Rs. 1,593-8. Ordinary shares were also depressed at Rs. 291-8.

On the other side cotton mill shares were quietly steady. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 977-8 against last closing at Rs. 980. Kohinoors were quiet at Rs. 297 while Swadeshi mill shares were done at Rs. 295.

Later on Tata Steel Defds. were done at Rs. 1581-4 while Ord. shares stood at Rs. 292. There was improved demand for mill shares and Bombay Dyeings advanced at Rs. 980. Nagpurs were done at Rs. 246-4 and Gokaks were quoted at Rs. 292-8. Kohinoors improved at Rs. 304 and Simplex shares were placed at Rs. 185 while Swadeshis changed hands at Rs. 300.

Tata Powers were quoted at Rs. 1535 and Associated Cements were quiet at Rs. 148-12. Bellapurs were quoted at Rs. 217-8. Bombay Burmas came in business at Rs. 272-8. Scindia shares were quoted at Rs. 16-6 and Central Bank shares were placed at Rs. 87. The market closed irregular.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES		
Bombay Dyeing (12-8)	980	0
Kohinoor Mills (6)	296	0
Swadeshi Mills (22)	294	0
Central India Mills (4)	245	0
Simplex Mills (8)	185	0
New Great Eastern (8)	160	0
Indore (9 plus 3)	168	12
Gokak Mills (20)	291	0
Century Spinning (15)	261	4
Colaba (12)	149	8
India Bleaching (8)	153	0
Swan Mills (20)	331	0
Finlay Mills (15)	285	0
Morarji Gokuldas XD	452	8
Edward Sassoon (20) XR	232	8
Meyer (12) XD	113	2
Apollo Mills (As 4)	2	15 6
India United Ord (0-13-9)	11	4
India United Ord. (0-13-9)	11	5
Madhusudan Mills (15) XD	175	0
Podar (8)	145	0
Khatau Makanji (8)	202	8
Indore Coupon	86	0
STEEL SHARES		
Tata Steel Ord (14)	291	8
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15)	1581	4
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (7-8)	139	8
CEMENT		
Associated Cement (6)	149	8
INDUSTRIES		
Burma (12-8)	271	4
Belapur Sugar (9)	215	0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	31	0
Scindia Steam (0-8)	16	7
Premier Construction	115.	0
Tata Chemical	12	8
Tata Oil (2)	65	4
India Iron (0-12)	24	6
Bengal Steel (0-8-0)	20	10
British India Corp. (0-14)	8	15
L Copper	2-2-6	
Wimco AR	188	12
Alcock	275	0
Belapur Coupon	54	0
ELECTRIC SHARES		
Tata Power (50)	1535	0
Andhra Valley (45)	1432	8
Tata Hydro	154	0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS		
Elphinstone Mills (5)	65	0
Phoenix Mills (50) XR	205	0
India Manufacturing	—	
Koorla Mills (5)	120	0
New City Mills (110)	181	4
Minerva	122	8
Bradbury	58	8
Bharat Mills (2)	33	4
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	4	12
Mysore Spg. Mills (8)	172	4
Madavji Dharmsi (0-12)	14	4
Model Mills (12-8)	186	4
Laxshmi Cotton (25)	610	0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	205	0
Western India (40)	4070	0
Standard (15)	225	0
Sholapur Mills (200)	3300	0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	9	12
Hindustan Mills (40)	4225	0
Tata Mills (3)	56	8
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	258	12
Ahmedabad Advance New	195	0
Sassoon Silk (3)	77	8
New Union Mills (0-8)	12	0
Madhusudan B (2-8)	35	0
Srinivas Mills (8)	175	0
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	78	12
Berar Mills	280	0
Victoria Mills	225	0
Colaba Land Coupon	42	0
New Great	156	0
ELECTRICS (ASH)		
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	128	12
Ahmedabad New	18	10
Surat Electricity (2-8)	142	8
Karachi Electric (2)	131	4
Broach (0-5)	10	10
Ajmer Electricity (0-9)	10	8
Amalgamated	12	8
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26	8
Poona Electric Supply (8)	150	0
Bombay Suburban (3)	162	8
Bombay Suburban (3) XD	152	8
BANK SHARES		
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1872	8
Imperial Bank of India P.P (8-12)	460	2
Central Bank	87	8
Central Bank New (1-8)	86	0
Bank of India (4) XR	197	12
Union (0-8)	7	15
Bank of Baroda (2-8)	141	12
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	45	0
United Commercial (1-8)	56	4
Jaipur Bank (1-6)	35	8
Hindustan Commercial	26	12
Mysore Bank (8)	365	0
Exchange Bank (1-8)	22	0
Eastern Bank (0-14-8)	105	8
INSURANCE		
Oriental (125) XD	4200	0
Empire (10)	675	0
New India (1-8)	60	0
Jupiter (1-4)	18	8
Vulcan (0-10)	11	14
Indian Mercantile (2)	36	0
Universal (0-4)	11	4
B.I.G. (1)	18	12
Industrial and Prudential	29	8
Neptune	7	0
New Great	25	0
All-India General	15	2
RAILWAY SHARES		
G. P. (1-14)	111	0
Pachora Jamner Rly. (2-8)	120	4
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES		
Bombay Steamer (10)	296	12
Bombay Burma New (3)	108	2
Burma Petrol	1	7 6
Mackenzie (8)	88	0
Port Canning (3)	65	0
Kemp and Co. (30)	840	0
Kemp and Co (New)	462	8
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	150	0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	36	8
Mukund Iron	10	0
Dena Trust (0-12)	18	0
Alembic (15)	197	8
Supreme India X.R.		
Jam Wire (6)	97	4
Bombay Uganda	69	0
Bombay Motor Cycle	34	0
Indian Cement (1937)	25	0
Walchand Nagar Industries (F.S.)	146	12
Associated Cement New (1-4)	144	4
United Motor	70	0
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	580	0
Hydary Construction	19	10
Mahmadi Steam	96	0
Gujarat Motor	20	0
Sardar Carbolic X.D.	700	0
Harvey Press	310	0
Estrela Batteries	51	0
Manmad Press	120	0
PREFERENCE SHARES		
Tata Steel 1st (6)	188	12
Andhra Valley (7)	1212	8
Tata Power (7-8)	1262	8
Hydro Electric (7)	126	4
Bombay Steamer (8)	308	8
Central India (5)	825	0
Swadeshi Mills	126	4
Vishnu Mills (7)	945	0
Lakshmi Mills	275	0
New Great Mills (5-8)	227	8
Podar Mills (4)	108	0
Shrinivas Mills	96	0
Alphinstone Mills (7)	117	8
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	310	0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	145	0
Premier Construction 1st (61-4)	118	0
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	101	4
Amalgamated (5-8)	123	2
Habib	72	0
Tata Chemical (5)	131	14
Walchand Nagar Indus (7)	130	0
Jupiter General	19	14
Supreme	100	0
Meyer	121	4
Mackenzie 1st	85	0
Mackenzie 2nd	80	0
Ahmedabad Advance	122	8
Mysore Mills	50	0
Standard Mills	161	0
Madhusudan Mills	12	0
Khatau Mills	102	8
Morarji	106	0
DEBENTURES		
Andhra 1952 (4)	103	8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	101	10
Indian Hume Pipe (6)	106	0
Tata Power 1951	103	0
Walchand Nagar (6)	112	0
OUTSIDE SHARES		
Burma Corporation	2	8
New Victoria Mill	2	8
New Victoria Mills (Pref.)	5	0
Phalton Sugar (8) X.D.	110	0
Gold Mohur (20)	302	8
New Kaiser-Hind	360	0
Sajjan Mills (20)	140	0
Osmanchahi Mills (10)	300	0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	340	0
Air Service XR	7	8
Air India	100	0
Hind Motor	4	13
Indi.. Steam	8	7

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, March 22.

The local Bullion market was quiet to-day with increased arrivals and small offtake. Upcountry advices were also lower.

Mint Silver was placed at Rs. 182|- while Bullion bars were quoted at Rs. 181|8. Ready Gold was placed at Rs. 110|- and Sovereigns were offered at Rs. 72|8.

Final quotations were as under:

Ready Silver	181	0	0
Ready Gold	109	0	0
Sovereigns	72	0	0

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, March 22.

There was no forward business to-day in the local cotton market as prices were above the ceiling level.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian cotton May contract is 823 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA March 21.

KARNAK		
May	76.20 plus	73
November	64.95 minus	80
ASIMOUNI		
April	47.66 plus	61
October	48.20 plus	25

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, March 22.

The local produce market remained closed today at a mark of respect to the death of a Director. Privately Castorseeds May delivery were quoted at Rs. 140-0.

Position Of Scheduled Banks

The following is the statement of the condition of scheduled banks as at the close of business on the 11th March:

I DEMAND LIABILITIES IN INDIA	Rs
(i) Borowings from banks	30,32,46,000
(ii) Other demand liabilities	602,01,56 000
TIME LIABILITIES IN INDIA	
(i) Borrowings from banks	6,00,000
(ii) Other time liabilities	267,08,64,000
CASH IN INDIA	
(i) Currency notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes	32,87,22,000
(ii) Rupee Coin	1 78,90,000
(iii) Subsidiary Coin	71,69,000
Balances with Reserve Bank	32,06,49,000
Advances in India	466,74,89,000
Bills discounted in India	17,38,04 000

BANKERS' CLEARING

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers Clearing House during the week ending the 18th March, 1949 were as under:

Number of Cheques: 174961

Amount of Cheques: Rs. 54,81,-84,828-1-0.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, March 22.

Tata Ordinary 291/8; Tata Deferred 1581/4; Indian Iron 24/6; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 20/10; Bombay Dyeing 980; Central India 245; Gokak 291/4; Kohinoor 298/12; Simplex 185; Swadeshi 294/8. Tata Power 1535; Associated Cement 149/6; Belapur 215; Bombay Burma (Old) 271/4; Scindia 16/7; Central Bank 86; New India 60; Tata 2nd Pref. 139/8.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, March 21.

American Telephone and Telegraph	146-1/4
Amerex Holding Co.	26-3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	31-5/8
Chase National Bank	36-1/4
Sinclair Oil	21-3/8
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	48-1/2
General Electric Co.	36-3/4
General Motors	59-1-8
Ingersol Band	60-1/2
International Nickel	29-1-4
National City Bank of New York	40
New York Central Rail Road Co.	10-5/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	16
Texas Corporation	53-3/8
Union Carbide	39
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	42-3/4
U. S. Steel Corporation	72-1/8
Western Union Telegraph	14-3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, March 21.

Consols 2-1/2 p.c.	30 13/16
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1961	105-16/16
Funding Loan 4 p.c. 1960/90	115-1/8
War Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1952 and after	104-1/8
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	103
National Bank of India	37-3/8

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 8,545.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, March 22.

MILLS:
Apollo 2-15-6
Bharat 33-4
B. Dyeing 972-8 80 75 83-12 75 92-8 80
C. India 245 47 44 46 45
Century 261-4
Colaba 149-8
E. Textiles 232-8
Finlay 286 84 85
Gorak 292 91 92 91 92 91
I U Defd 1-10 1-10-8 1-10 1-10-8
Ord 11-3 11-6 11-4
Indore 172-8 68-12
Kohinoor 296 300 298-8 99-8 97 300 298
Laxmi 608-12 10
Meye. 113-2
Morarji 453-12 52-8
New City 181-4
New Great 162 64 60
Phoenix 202-8
Podar 145
Sholapur 3,300
Simplex 186 87-8 84-8 85-8 85
Svadeshi 296 300 294 95-8 94
Swan 330 31
Tata Mills 58-8
Vishnu 207-8 10
C. P Rly 111
STEAMER:
B Steam 297-8 96-12
Scindia 16-8 16-8 16-2 16-7
BANKS:
Baroda 141-12
Central 87 88
A New 87 88
Imperial Old 1880 70 72-8
New 462-8 62-2
India 197-8 97-12
Union 7-15
Exchange 22
U. Commercial 55 50-4
ELECTRIC
Ahmedabad 129-6 28-12.
Andhra Valley 1430 32-8.
Suburban 162-8.
Surat 142-8.
Hydro 154.
Power 1535.
INSURANCE
New India 59-12 60-8 60
Vulcan 11-15.
STEEL
B. Steel 21-2 20-8 20-10.
I. Iron 24-6 24-8 24-4 24-6.
Tata Defd. 1620 25 1588-12 91-4 8-7 95 85 90 81-4.
Tata Ord. 293 94-8 91-12 92-8 91-8 92 91-8.
Tata IInd Pref. 139-8.
MISCELLANEOUS
Alcock 272-8 75 73-12 75.
A.C.C. Old 149-8 49-4 49-8.
A.C.C. New 144-4.
Belapur 215 17 15.
B.B. Old 272-8 70 71-4.
B.B. New 106-2.
B.B. Petrol 1-7-6 1-7-3 1-7-6.
B.I. 8-4 8-15.
I. Bleaching 153.
I. Copper 2-2-6.
I. I. Trust 92-12 92-8.
P. Const. 113 15.
Shivrajpur 31.
Sf Chem 12-7 12-8 12-6.
Tata Oil 65 65-8.
Wimco 188-12
SPECIAL
Surat Elec. Pref. 146-4 45 46-4.

N. Y. COTTON IRREGULARLY LOWER

NEW YORK, March 21. (UPA).

Cotton was irregularly lower in unusually quiet dealings taking cue from the reaction in grains and reflecting on the slow demand for textiles and reports of domestic mill curtailment. The downward trend appeared to have been caused more by lack of buying interests rather than concerted selling pressure.

Local professionals and New Orleans operators kept leaning on prices in an apparent attempt to test out the market's technical position. The unwillingness of either side to assume initiative coupled with conflicting cross currents in news.

Bullishly inclined traders pointed to everlasting hopes for sharp pick up in export buying plus supporting effect of the Government loan programme. On the other side, bears repeated the disquieting effect of slow demand for textiles along with heaviness in hide market plus domestic business and international political uncertainties. News of army inquiry for 40,550 bales of raw cotton wanted for shipment to Japan under the Civilian Rehabilitation Programme fell flat as buying influence simply because trade has been counting on demand for about twice that amount.

On the farm legislative situation, traders discussed reports that cotton state representatives in Congress may seek a one-year extension of the present 90 per cent parity support rate if they fail to effect a compromise in their current efforts to modify the new hope of the Aiken Bill which would invoke the sliding price support scale commencing next January 1.

Market opened one lower to three higher. Thereafter, it seesawed aimlessly within an extreme range of 70 cents a bale to close net one to eight lower.

NEW YORK COTTON CLOSING.

New York March 21.

May	32.13—08
May Highest	32.23+02
May Lowest	32.09—12
July	31.05—01
October	28.12—62
December	27.92—03
March	27.79—04
Middling Spot	33.45—08

NEW ORLEANS COTTON CLOSINGS.

New York March 21.

May	32.05—06
July	31.90—6
October	28.10—09
December	27.90+02
Middling Spot	32.45—06

GRAINS MOVE IRREGULARLY

CHICAGO, March 21.

Grains moved irregularly in spasmodically active trading on the Chicago Board of Trade today.

Wheat weakened at close under liquidation and hedge selling following the news of a one to two cent cut in the Government's buying prices at Kansas City and the easiness of Minneapolis cash market.

NEW YORK SILVER.

NEW YORK March 21.

U. S. Price of Foreign Silver 71-1/2 cents.

Worth Street Situation Report Quiet

NEW YORK, March 21 (UPA): Worth Street brokers indicated a quiet situation on all Monday's fabric markets.

Usual Monday lull was created as buyers and sellers checked over their respective inventory. Sales and production positions became more pronounced as traders indicated demand for quick and nearby goods, which has been the mainstay activity over recent weeks, was also shown to be falling off.

In cotton goods, converters indicated demand for 5,500,000 sand bags requiring an estimated 4,000,000 yards material. Specifications called for the use of either Osnaburgs or burlap but because of the prevailing wide price discount was in favour of burlap.

U. S. Employment May Reach 60,000,000 By Next July

WASHINGTON, March 22.

Ewan Clague, U. S. Commissioner of Labour Statistics, believes there is a good chance that employed persons in the United States will number 60,000,000 by next July when the height of seasonal employment is reached.

The labour specialist told a press conference on Monday that initial claims for unemployment compensation showed a "tendency to slacken" during January and February of this year. Although there was an increase in unemployment during that period, the number of civilian employees in February was almost as high as it was in the corresponding month of 1948.

Clague noted that wholesale prices seem to have started to level off. In mid-March they were at 1586 percent of the price index, based on the 1926 average, as compared with 158.8 percent for the first week in February.

The U. S. Department of Commerce reports that the postwar seller's market has declined in almost every line except metals and automobiles. This was accompanied by a slight drop in production of goods and services.

However, the Department said the drop had little effect on total personal income, which stayed at an annual rate of about dol. 221,000,000,000. The Department said that "the flow of personal income affords a comprehensive summary of the impact of the various adjustments which have been taking place in the economy."—U.S.I.S.

CHICAGO WHEAT.

CHICAGO, March 21.

May 2.14 to 2.14-1/4.
July 1.87-3/4 to 1.87-7/8.
September 1.87-5/8.
December 1.87-1/2.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, March 21.

T. T London on:
New York Selling 4.0275. Buying 4.0325; Montreal Selling 4.0275. Buying 4.0325; Zurich Selling 17.34. Buying 17.36; Stockholm 14.47 to 14.50.

LONDON BULLION.

LONDON, March 21.

Silver Spot and Forward both 43-1/2d. Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8-12-3.

LONDON WHEAT.

London, March 21.

Australian Cheat new Crop 96 March-April.

Further Decline In Calcutta Share Bazar

CALCUTTA, March 22 (PTI-Reuter): Further decline in shares values was noticed today due to continued selling pressure and there was only a limited business. Following are today's final transactions upto 2-30 p.m.:—

GOVT. SECURITIES: 3 per cent loan 1986 96/9 three per cent loan 1949/52 100/8 three per cent loan 1951/54 101/1 three per cent loan 1953/55 101/6 three per cent loan 1957 101/1 three per cent loan 1959/61 100/11 three per cent loan 1963/65 100/1 three per cent loan 1970/75 100 four per cent loan 1960/70 110/6.

BANKS: Bharat Bank 4/2 UCO Bank 56.

COTTON: Cawnpore Textiles 10/8 Elgin Mills 17/2 New Victoria Ordy. 2/8 Shree Radheyshyam 7/5.

COALS: Bengal 434 Burra Dhemo 1/14 Burrakur 12/12 Central India 5/4 Equitable 37 Satpukuria 1/2 Western Bengal 4/13.

JUTES: Agarpara 23/7.

ENGINEERINGS: Braithwaite and Co. 8/4 Indian Iron 24/8 Kumardhubi Eng. 7/15 Marshalls 6/4 Steel Corp. 20/13 Textiles Machinery 7/7 Miscellaneous Burma Corp 2/7 Christien Mica 8 Consolidated Tin annas 1b Indian Copper 2/3 Tavoy Tin annas 11 Assam Bengal Cement 7 Sone Valley 6/8 Alkali and Chemical 13/4 Calcutta Electric 19/2 New Asiatic Insurance 4/15 British India Corp. 8/4 Ex Div Metal Corp. 4/9 National Tobacco 18/7 CT British Burma Petroleum 1/7 Star Paper 5/12 Midnapore Zemindary 67 India Steamship 8/3.

SUGARS: Belsun 4/6 Carew and Co. 8/10 Darbhanga 10/12 Ex Div United Provinces Sugar 10/10.

Calicut Market

CALICUT, March 22.

Coiryarn Beypore 138/145, Quilandy 145/15 Fibre Garbled 90, Ungarbled 80, Cocoanuts Raw 157/160, Dry 180/90, Cocoanut Oil 595 Copra Office 405, Dilpasand 420, Madrasmottam 425, Pepper Wynaad 1550, Country 1550, Dry Ginger Chernad 800, Ernad 775, Coffee Robusta 150, Timber Pali 50/52, Junglewood 32/35 Vellapine 65/75, Benteak 50/55, Teak 90/125 Mango 3/3/4, Teak 20/25, Rosewood 17/8/20.

Spring Weather Comes Back To Wall Street

NEW YORK, March 21 (UPA): Spring weather came back to Wall Street today but it brought no change in the market's sluggish behaviour.

Stock list moved narrowly throughout the session and closed with prices irregularly lower. But if spring failed to attract new buying in the stock market, it atleast brought the month of April that much closer.

Wall Street, it is said by experts, is awaiting April which is expected to bring with it the answer to the question, "Which way,", for American economy. Experts say that April is traditionally the month of upturn in business and that if it follows its pattern this year, then the chances of severe recession or depression will be just that much less.

Meanwhile, from Washington, came the good news in a statement that the rate of increase in unemployment is slowing down. Since spring brings rise in season employment it is believed by July the total United States employment will be back at the 60,000,000 level.

Stocks sales amounted 620,000 shares and curb sales amounted to 140,000 shares. Turnover in bonds came to dollar 2,700,000.

Dow Jones average closings included: Industrials, 175.61; rails, 47.54; utilities, 35 and bonds, 98.54.

NEW YORK PEPPER PRICES

NEW YORKr March 21. (UPA).

Black pepper futures closed unchanged to 200 points higher with the sale of one contract in March delivery at 81 cents per pound.

The rise reflected renewed strength in the spot market where dealers held immediate supplies at around 93 cents per pound which is a new high for the movement.

Small stocks in domestic warehouses and uncertainty over future Indian and Indonesian shipments remained the chief price boosting influences.

White pepper was quoted at $1.12 per pound for prompt shipment from Holland. Dealers said that local supplies of white pepper were practically non-existent.

The strength in the spot situation contrasted with the hesitant note in the shipment positions. Small odd lot sales of black pepper for May shipment were reported at 74 cents.

Closing prices included:

March 81, May 80, July 74.50, September 72, October 60, December 51 January 48.

In the spot market, black pepper was quoted at 93 cents nom and white pepper at US $1.12 nom.

Other seed prices included: Castor oil $105 nom; cottonseeds $60 nom; Flaxseed 6.00; Linseed 27.6 cents, groundnuts 17.50-.75 cents, Groundnut oil 13-1/2 cents...

LONDON PEPPER IDLE

LONDON, March 21.

The pepper market remained extremely idle with Singapore quoting black pepper at 3/11 and white at 4/10-1/2.

Malabar, London basis, was about 430 sellers but buyers were not interested above 415 or 420.

SINGAPORE PEPPER PRICES

SINGAPORE, March 21.

White Muntok was today quoted at SS $259 per picul of 33.3 lbs., fob, and black Lampong at $213.

ART-SILK YARN

BOMBAY, March 22.

120 D Ready	3	11	0
150 Ready Japan	3	8	0
150 D Box March	700	0	0
150 D Box April	709	0	0

Shipping News

IMPORTS

s.s. VASNA

From Karachi—1501 bales cotton raw; 50 bags dry prawns; 82 bags dry salted fish; 200 bags gowar; 500 bags cuminseed; 154 bags pista; 100 cases dry fruits.

s.s. MOUNT DAVINS

From Singapore—35 cases Bournville cocoa.

From Sweetenham—245 crates Bournville coioa.

From Penang—355 cases cocoa.

s.s. LANGLEEGALE

From St. John—250 cases storage batteries; 12,506 bdls kirch and maplewood; 25 bdls. stone wheels; 139 bales rubber belting; 148 boxes aluminium sheet circles; 63 kgs Canadian origin; 44 pkgs. tool guides; 405 cases milk powder; 147 rolls standard news print; 99 cases printing paper; 531 news print paper; 1,959 bdls. birchsquares; 30 drums lubricating oil.

s.s. STAR BETEL GEUSE

From Kobe—891 cases art silk yarn; 2,133 bales cotton piece goodgs; 714 cases cotton yarn; 100 bales art silk staple yarn; 250 bales art silk staple fibre yarn; 490 bales spun rayon yarn; 1,421 cases rayon yarn; 50 cases bear. ing papers; 120 cases red phosphorus; 250 cases crown corks; 50 bales staple fibre yarn; 50 cases artificial silk yarn; 398 cases sheet glass; 550 crates tiles; 48 cases wire head; 129 bales grey broad cloth; 140 bales staple rayon yarn; 50 bales staple yarn.

From Colombo—900 bags betelnuts.

s.s. CITY OF CARLISLE

From Norfolk—50 bags dogwood shuttle blocks.

From New York—80 bales second hand clothing; 110 cases powdered milk; 140 drums diesel oil; 44 crates florescent tubes; 228 ctns empty glass bottles; 135 cases bottle crowns; 538 ctns. plastic soap boxes; 31 cases parts and fittings; 42 cases pharmaceuticals. 62 ctns. motor vehicle and parts; 90 drums high speed diesel oil; 125 drums mineral cadza oil; 300 ctns. evaporated milk; 47 ctns. florescent fixtures; 157 drums synthetic rasins; 100 drums lubricating oil; 64 drums coaltar dyes; 37 cases motor parts; 100 drums mineral oil; 140 drums styron; 250 ctns. auto bulbs; 220 pieces auto wheels; 81 ctns auto wheels; 64 skids leaquered tinplate; 400 bdls ice cans; 150 bdls. lubricating oil; 150 ctns. hydrogen peroxide.

From St. John—67 boxes aluminium sheets.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

s.s. VASNA

To Karachi— 1,000 bags dry chillies 25 bags tamarind—A. E. Noormahomed & Co.

40 baskets betelnuts leaves—R. M. Jaffer and Co.

40 baskets betel leaves—C. A. Aziz.

20 baskets betel leaves—E. S. Bhada.

40 baskets betel leaves—M. Balam.

30 baskets betel leaves—P. A. Rahaman.

15 baskets betel leaves—M. Karsondas.

215 pkgs. fresh fruits and 75 pkgs. sour lumbs—U. C. Kotak and Co.

150 pkgs. fresh fruits—H.A. Hai and Sons.

s.s. DWARKA

To Kuwait—765 bags tamarind—A. H. Shaya.

s.s. FLYING CLEEPER.

To New York—193 bags turmeric—Prodne Dealer and Co.

s.s. TREVENIAN

To Port Said—105 baskets tamarind K. H. Hillel.

s.s. CALEDONIA

To Glasgow—700 bags linseed—M. Ratilal and Co.

s.s. QUERIMBA

To Wellington—178 drums linseed—Eastern Oil Mills & Co.

BY AIR

To Karachi—200 baskets betel leaves —M. Balam.

Arrivals And Departures

DUE TO ARRIVE AT BOMBAY:—

From U.S. Pacific Coast: s.s. "Borneo" due 8th April, s.s. "Hoegh Silverspray" Due 17th April.

From U.S. Atlantic Coast: s.s. "Riouw" Due 23rd March, s.s. "Southmoor" Due 10th April s.s. Talisse" Due 24th April.

From Rotterdam/Antwerp: s.s. "Lasrenskerk" Due 2nd April s.s. "Merwede" Due 15th April.

From Persian Gulf via Karachi: s.s. "Hoegh Silverstream" Due 29th March, s.s. "Hoegh Silverwave" Due 31st March, s.s. "Sarangan" Due 1st April, s.s. "Manoeran" Due 26th April, s.s. "Hoegh Silvercrest" Due 20th April.

From Italy: s.s. "Milano" Due 30th March, s.s. "Taurinia" Due 17th April, s.s. "Timavo" Due 12th April.

From Australia: s.s. "Ugoline Vivaldi" Due 31st March, s.s. "Hoegh Silverstar" Due 3rd May.

DUE TO SAIL FROM BOMBAY:—

For Calcutta via Colombo: s.s. "Duke of Sparta" Sails 1st April, s.s. "Milano" Sails 11th April, s.s. "Lasrenskerk" Sails 11th April, s.s. "Borneo" Sails 19th April, s.s. "Merwede" Sails 29th April.

For U.S. Pacific Coast; s.s. "Riouw" Sails 28th March, s.s. "Sarangan" Sails 5th April, s.s. "Manoeran". Sails 2nd May.

For Italy: s.s. "Ugelino Vivaldi" Sails 1st April s.s. "Taurinia" Sails 25th April, s.s. "Timavo" Sails 21st April.

For Persian Gulf via Karachi: s.s. "Limburg" Sails 1st April. s.s. "Hoegh Silverspray" Sails 27th April.

For Australia: s.s. "Hoegh Silverstream" Sails 2nd April, s.s. "Hoegh Silvercrest" Sails 27th April.

For Mediterranean & North Continental Ports: s.s. "Leuvekerk" Sails 29th March.

For U.S. Atlantic Coast: s.s. "Hoegh Silverstar" Sails 15th May.

ARRIVALS

S. S. BURCKEL from Antwerp with general cargo on March 22.

S. S. LUNBURG from Vancouver with general cargo on March 22.

S. S. LOENERKERK from Mormugoa with general cargo on March 19.

S. S. AXEL CARL from Tuticorin with general cargo on March 21.

S. S. WYVEM from Karachi with general cargo on March 21.

S. S. MARX FISHER from Tacoma with copper and zinc on March 21.

S. S. QUERIMBA from Basrah with general cargo on March 21.

S. S. EXPRESS from N. York with general cargo on March 21.

S.S. PANORMUS from Galveston with grain on March 20.

DEPARTURES

S.S. STRATHAIRD for Sydney with general cargo on March 19.

S.S. BU VIRTUE for Abadan with kerosene on March 19.

S.S. HEATHER for Calicut with general cargo on March 20.

S.S. TONGER for Karachi with general cargo on March 20.

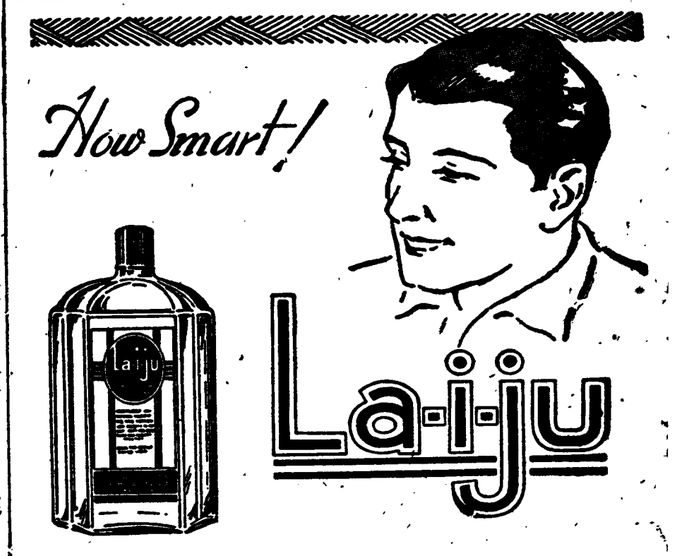
S.S. PROMISE for Calcutta with general cargo on, March 21.

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS

During the week ended the 18th March 1949, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 6,50 75,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

DEATH OF VASAN'S MOTHER

MADRAS, March 22 (API.) The death occurred this afternoon of Srimati Balambal Ammal, mother of Mr. S. S. Vasan, editor of the Tamil Weekly "Ananda Vikatan" and proprietor of the Gemni Etudios at the age of 61. The death was due to a heart attack.



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CALCUTTA CHEMICAL

BOMBAY OFFICE: Princess Street, Bombay

Goa-Pakistan Trade Relations

Marmagoa Port To Be Used To Strengthen Ties

KARACHI, Mar. 22 (UPI): To foster trade relations between Pakistan and Portuguese India, the use of Marmagoa harbour in Goa has been extended to Pakistan for trade purposes only, it was learnt here today.

Moreover, according to a communication from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Lisbon received by Signor J. D. Lobo, President De Diga Do Ppvo Goss a Unisc Goano De Pakistan, an agency of the Banco Nationale Ultramarino (Portuguese Bank) has recently been opened in Karachi in accord with the National Bank to facilitate banking and other transactions between Pakistan and Portugal and its colonies.

The question of establishing a Portuguese Legation in Karachi is receiving the active attention of the Government of Portugal. The communication to Signor Lobo added.

SOVIET TRADE DELEGATION TO PAKISTAN

KARACHI, Mar. 22 (UPI): A Trade Delegation from the U.S.S.R. will visit Pakistan next month, it was learnt today.

The delegation's arrival has been preceded by the visit to Karachi of the USSR Trade Commissioner in India.

U. P. TO GO 'DRY' IN 3 YEARS

JHANSI, Mar. 21 (API): Choudhri Ghirdharial, Minister of Excise and Jails, in the United Provinces Government, presiding over the prohibition conference at Bundelkhand yesterday said that the whole province was expected to go 'dry' within three years.

The Minister said that no popular Government should, for the sake of revenue, encourage a practice which was mainly responsible for the moral and social degradation of the working class, majority of whom were Harijans. Independence would be worth nothing if scores of downtrodden Harijans did not rise to their full height.

He appealed to the people to cooperate with the Government and make prohibition a success.

LEAKAGE OF QUESTION PAPERS IN ALLAHABAD

ALLAHABAD, Mar. 22, (UPI): Leakage of question papers of the High School Examinations of the U.P. Education Board which commenced yesterday, resulted in the postponement today, of two examination papers, by the Board.

As a protest against the postponement of today's papers, students made rowdy demonstrations in a number of centres. In an incident in the C. A. V Schools, one teacher and one student received injuries necessitating their removal to hospital.

A large number of students also made a demonstration in front of newspaper office in Civil Lines for publishing a report of the leakage of question papers in the morning edition. Some glass panes of the newspaper office were broken by the demonstrators. Armed police are guarding the premises.

The Intermediate Examination of the Board was held today without any interruption, but it is likely that there may be re-examination in English First Paper as there was leakage of this paper yesterday.

If the Board decides to cancel the examinations, it will mean that about 74,000 students will have to take their examinations again.

Rajput Satyagrahis Released

JODHPUR, March 22 (UPI): More than 500 Rajput satyagrahis including three sardars who were arrested for defying the orders of the Jodhpur Government abolishing the communal schools and stopping the State grant to such communal schools, were released today after the satyagraha movement was withdrawn.

Amateur Steeplechase Rider Dies Of Injuries

NEWCASTLE, March 21 (PTI-Reuter): Captain John Eustace-Smith, the Amateur Steeplechase rider, died in hospital here today from injuries received when his mount Dancing Sun fell in a Novice's Steeplechase at Catterick Bridge on Saturday.

Captain Smith, who came from a sporting Northumbrian family, who ridden three winners this season under National Hunt Rules. Last season he won 11 races in 92 mounts.

Another Candidate Out Of The Grand National

LONDON, March 22 (PTI-Reuter): Rowland Roy, one of the leading candidates who finished sixth last year, will not run in the Grand National at Aintree on Saturday. He pulled up sore after his final gallop today.

Army Volley Ball In Delhi

NEW DELHI, March 22 (API): The Army Headquarters Sports Club beat the Disposal Directorate Club by fifteen to eleven points in the Delhi Open Volley Ball Tournament held under the auspices of the Minto Road Club today.

SOVIET MANOEUVRES

BERLIN, March 23 (PTI-Reuter): Tens of thousands of Soviet troops nearly-arrived from Russia are expected to take part in eastern zone manoeuvres which began today, according to German sources in close touch with the Soviet zonal authorities.

The industrial dispute between the Ford Motor Company, Ltd., Bombay, and its employees has been referred for adjudication to the Industrial Tribunal of Mr. I. G. Thakore.

Governor's "At Home" To Legislators

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The lawns of the Government House Bombay, were en-fete, on Tuesday evening, when the Governor of Bombay and Rani Maharaj Singh, were "At Home" to Members of the Bombay Legislative Assembly and the Bombay Legislative Council.

Raja Maharaj Singh, moved about informally and had a word with everyone present.

U.S.I.S. FILM SHOW

After partaking of refreshments at the sweet-drink stall, the guests were treated to a film show organised by the USIS depicting the inaugural ceremony of the 48th President of America.

The guests later re-assembled on the lawns which after sun-down were tastefully lit with coloured lamps.

All the members of the Cabinet were present on the occasion and the function terminated with the Governor, the Premier and Rani Maharaj Singh, standing to attention on the steps of the Royal Bungalow while the "Jana Gana Mana" was being played by the Bombay City Police Band.

THREE KILLED IN CYCLONE

COMILLA (East Pakistan) March 21 (API): Three persons lost their lives and many rendered homeless as a result of the severe cyclone and heavy rains here last night. Trees were uprooted at many places and the telegraph lines were badly disturbed.

U.S. RESERVE OFFICERS IN GERMANY

FRANKFURT, March 22 (UPA): Army official, today revealed that United States reserve officers were being assigned to active units in a sweeping theatre mobilisation plan.

Officials said Air Force reserve officers were included in the plan. The programme was planned as the European Command's answer to President Truman's call last year for a spruced-up reserve.

REDS THWART POLICE PLANS TO CAPTURE DACOITS

PATIALA, March 21, (API):— The Government of the Patiala and East Punjab States Union believe that Communists "engineered and instigated" the villagers of Kishengarh to resist the capture of dangerous dacoits hiding in the village last week, according to a communique issued today.

JERUSALEM'S FUTURE

BEIRUT, March 21, (PTI-Reuter)—Arab League leaders were understood to have agreed here today to the internationalisation of Jerusalem—on condition that the League be given considerable control authority.

I.N.T.U.C. ANNUAL SESSION.

INDORE, March 22. (A.P.I.): Over two thousand delegates representing nearly eight hundred trade unions from all over India are expected to attend the second annual session of the Indian National Trade Union Congress, which will be held at Indore from May 5 to 9 1949.

Stop Press

DISTURBANCES IN ITALY

ROME, March 22 (UPA): Communists and left-wing Socialists today fought police with rocks and hand grenades during demonstrations in south Italy against Italy's adherence to the Atlantic treaty.

GREEK NEWSPAPERMAN TO FACE TRIAL

ATHENS, March 22 (UPA): It was announced today that a Greek newspaperman and his mother will go on trial April 12 at Salonika on charges of murdering American radio correspondent George Polk. The defendants are Gregory Staktopoulos and his mother, Mrs. Anna Staktopoulos.

MALAN'S PARTY POSITION

CAPETOWN, March 22, (PTI-Reuter):— Doctor Daniel Malan's Government now has a majority of one in the Senate, the Upper House of the Union Parliament. The caucus of General Smuts, United Party today expelled Senator J. M. Van H. Brink from its membership, and the Government now has 22 votes to the Opposition's 21.

HYDERABAD FREEZE ORDER.

HYDERABAD, March 22. (U.P.I.): The Government have issued orders to-day under Section 2 of the Nullification of Transfer Regulation, for the freezing the assets and property of Nawab Aziz Nawaz Jung Behadur, a former Member of the Nizam's Executive Council in charge of Sarf-i-Khas (crown) lands.

VISAS DENIED.

WASHINGTON, March 22. (U.P.A.): The State Department to-day said it had rejected visa applications from an undisclosed number of alien Communists seeking to attend the "World Peace Conference" at New York on grounds that their admission was detrimental to national interest.

VILLAGERS EVACUATED NEAR RANGOON.

RANGOON, March 22 (PTI-Reuter): Hundreds of villagers have been evacuated from Khattiya to Kemmendine, a wester suburb of Rangoon, following the burning of their village by Karen rebels, to-night's Government 'communique' stated.

QUESTION PAPERS SOLD FOR RS. TWO

LUCKNOW, March 22, (A.P.I.): All the Intermediate science and art question papers of the Board of High School and Intermediate Examinations have leaked out here. The papers were said to have been sold this evening from Rupees two to Rupees five per set.

TEXTILE MILLS IN SAURASHTRA

Lock-Out From April 15 Likely: Sequel To Accumulation Of Stocks

RAJKOT, March 22. (A.P.I.): With a view to help disposal of large stocks of textile cloth accumulating with textile mills of Saurashtra, the Government have decided to create a special class of licensed merchants, called "B" class merchants.

These special class traders will be given cloth valued at about Rs. 16,000 from textile mills of Saurashtra directly and the retail prices of the cloth will be twelve and half per cent over the ex-mill price. The present licence holders can also avail themselves of this benefit besides selling rationed cloth of Bombay and Ahmedabad mills and certain varieties of Saurashtra mills.

This step became necessary as, it is reported, for the last six months cloth stocks have been accumulating with the Saurashtra mills as the Provinces to which their goods were allocated were not removing their quotas.

The accumulated stocks are valued at over Rs. two crores and the Saurashtra Millowners Association have declared a lock-out from April 15 in Saurashtra mills if appreciable stocks of cloth are not removed and paid for by that date.

PAKISTAN NEEDS FOREIGN CAPITAL

But Will Not Seek Loans From U. S., Says Ispahani

LOS ANGELES, March 22. (PTI-Reuter): Pakistan needs foreign capital but is not now actively seeking loans from the United States Government or from private American investors, Pakistan's Ambassador to the United States Mr. M. A. H. Ispahani said here last night.

But this did not mean that Pakistan's applications for loans, if and when made, through the World Bank or the Export-Import Bank should be ruled out, the Ambassador added.

Mr. Ispahani, who is conferring here with Pakistani and American businessmen, said "we need and will welcome foreign capital".

Referring to oil production he said, "we will seek the best deals that can be made when we start producing oil on a large scale."

He added that he had no appointments with Californian Oil magnates but would be glad "to discuss the oil resources of my country with them".

Khuhro Disqualified

No Official Post For Three Years

KARACHI, March 22. (U.P.I.): Mr. M. A. Khuhro, ex-Premier of Sind has been disqualified for three years from being a Minister, Deputy Minister or Parliament Secretary, whether of the Federal or Provincial Government a member of the Constituent Assembly, Legislature of the Dominion, Federal or Provincial Legislature, Local Body or Authority. He has also been declared ineligible for any office of profit under the Crown for a similar period.

An order to this effect has been passed today by the Governor-General of Pakistan on a report of the Sind Special Court of Inquiry on being found guilty of maladministration and misconduct in the discharge of his duties as the Premier of Sind, set up by the Governor of Sind under the Sind Special Court of Inquiry.

The report of the Court of Enquiry has been released for publication today and covers over 150 pages.

Search For Uranium In Malaya

SINGAPORE, March 22, (PTI-Reuter): Prospecting for uranium is to start in Malaya following yesterday's announcement by the British Colonial office that Britain will buy all uranium ores containing over ten per cent of uranium produced in the Commonwealth during the next ten years.

It is known that there are, in Malaya, monazite sands containing thorium but terrorism has held up prospecting operations.

An authoritative source in Kuala Lumpur said geological surveys might reveal good deposits but that the geological structure as surveyed at present did not offer great hopes.

A leading Chinese tin-miner also expressed the opinion that Malayan monazite sands did not contain thorium up to the percentage required by the British Ministry of supply.

Guerilla Activities Increase In Sumatra

NEW DELHI, March 22, (U.P.I.): A Press Note issued by the Indonesian information service, New Delhi, today says that Dr. Sjafruddin Prawdranegra, head of the Republican Emergency Government has ordered the local commander of Republican troops in east Sumatra to investigate the ambush on the U. N. military observers near Branstag, east Sumatra, it may be recalled that two U. N. military observers were wounded several days ago near Brastagi, east Sumatra.

Reports received from the Emergency Government indicate strong increase of Guerilla activities. A Dutch post in Buluhsibajak (east Sumatra) was raided. ten enemy soldiers were killed and two of them captured. Ambushes were carried out successfully in other parts of east and Central Sumatra.

Afghans Living In India

NEW DELHI (UPA): Afghans living in India without valid passports have been given until March 31 to register with the Indian Government.

After that date, according to an announcement by the Home Ministry, "the cases of Afghan nationals residing in India will be examined individually."

The registration deadline was extended until March 31 because of "the need for maintaining good relations with Afghanistan", the announcement said.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON MAY
NEW YORK, March 22.

Previous Closing	32.13
Today's Opening	32.12
Difference	—1
Today's Closing	32.03
Difference	—10

LAST QUOTATIONS
BOMBAY March 22.

	Rs. P.
Silver Bullion Ready	181 0
Gold Ready	107 14
Sovereign	73 0
Expectation:	
Cotton Jarila May	625 8

NEW YORK STOCKS
NEW YORK, March 22.

Opening Prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining unquoted.
General Motors 69
United States Steel Common 72-1/2
Ditto Pref 136.

Dull Conditions On Madras Share Market

MADRAS, March 22 (API.) Dull condition prevailed on the Madras Market with little business.

While prices remained unchanged the volume of business also considerably diminished.

Textiles ind: with some support and the market closed steady.

Following are the quotations in Madras Stock Exchange today.

SECURITIES: Three per cent Government of India loans 1949/52 100/8, Three per cent Paper 98/3, Three per cent 1966 98/8, Three per cent 1963/55 100, Three per cent 1970/75 99/15, Three per cent Government of Travancore loan 1952 101/7, Three per cent Government of Madras loan 1960 100.

BANKS: Travancore 16/12.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 17, Mysore 48, Travancore 8, Ditto Pref five per cent 9/3, United Breweries 194/8.

PLANTINGS: Balmadies 1/4, Blue Fountain 2/6/6, Chandramalai 1/4 Chemora 4/12 Cochin Malabar 4/2 Devashola 18 Highland Produce 20/2/6 Midland 4/3 Neelamalai 2/13/6 Nellampathy 1/5 Ouchterlony 5/11 Periakaramalai 21/12 Pullangode 14 Thirumbadi 1/14 T R and To Co 5/8 Waterfalls 2/10.

TEXTILES: Balasubramania 40/8 Bang Woollen 206 Buckingham 167 Ditto Pref 7-1/2 per cent 193 Cambodia 9/16 Coimbatore Cm 117/8 Ditto Pioneer 112 Ditto Spg 45/8 Lakshmi 64 Madura 17-1/2 per cent D Co 43/10 Mettur 30s Mysore Spun 6/3 Pankaja 91 Radhakrishna 144 Rajalakshmi 55 Sanga Vilas 45 Trav Rayons 3/11 Ditto Pref five per cent 6/3 Trichinopoly 11/2 Vasanta 103.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cement 64 Ditto B 6/8 B.A.C.T. 4/8 India Cements 17/8 Mettur Chem 7 Ditto Pref six per cent 104/12 Mysore Chem Fert 6/12 Ditto Paper 11/4 Spencer 10/12.

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent.)
AHMEDABAD, March 22.

Market showed mixed sentiments. Steel shares were easy on weak advices of Bombay while textile shares attracted buyers at declines.

Calico opened 1196, lowest 1186, highest 1200 closed 1192.

Ambika, opened 416, lowest 418, highest 421, closed 416.

Arvind opened 1510, lowest 1508, highest 1518, closed 1507.

Deffered opened 1620, closed 1565.

Closing quotations: Arvind 1607, Calico 1192, Ambika 416 Defered 1565, Shorrok 550, Sayaji 181/4, Rohit 125, Rampur 1560, Straw Board 60, Gopal 140 Monogram 171.

Hapur Market Rates

(From Our Correspondent.)
HAPUR, March 22.

Wheat 24 to 26, Gram 13/12, Barley 16/8, Peas 12/2, Bejhar 13, Juwar 16, Arhar 12, Urd 17/12 Moong 19, Masoor 15/8, Peas Jeth 11/6, Arhar Jeth 11/13, Sarson ready 25/8, Jeth 26, Gur ready 13/12, Baisakh 13/6/3, Pagun 12/3/6, Taraseed 20, Oil 72, Cake 9 Groundnut 17, Cottonseed 15/8, Bardana ready 108, Chet 107/8, April 123/8, September 121/8.

Silver Forward 170/8, Gold 108/12.

Karachi Cotton Market

(From Our Correspondent.)
KARACHI, March 22.

Cotton Ready rolerginned Sind No 93, Punjab 28s-F 95/8 Lea 67/8, Fourf 8/8. Rates unchanged but steady with restricted turnover account of freight war uncertainty. Spot turnover 1700 bales, mostly fourf Sawgin and Sind Nt. Demand for lower grades and specially Punjab qualities remains neglected. Cottonseeds ready Nt 8/8, April 8/10/6, Easy on speculators selling. Gold 107/12, Sovereigns 68/12. Demand quiet.

Saurashtra Market Quotations

(From Our Correspondent.)
RAJKOT, March 22.

Rajkot Silver New Vayda 169/9/0, Rajkot Sugar Chaitra 91/3/0, Rajkot Aranda May 140/6/0, Jamnagar Silver New Vayda 169/8/0, Jamnagar Aranda May 140/8/0 Wadhwan Cotton Jeth 28/13/0, Wadhwan Sugar Vaishkh 16/1/0.

Wholesale Price Index

NEW DELHI, March 22 (API): Wholesale prices in India, as measured by the Economic Adviser's Index, registered a fall of 0.5 per cent during the week ended March 5, 1949 and the index which stood at 370 1 (base: year ended August 1939: 100) was 0.7 per cent lower than that of a month ago but 9.2 per cent higher than that of the corresponding week of last year.

During the week under review, "food articles" witnessed a substantial decline of 1.3 per cent to 378.6 owing mainly to considerable falls in the prices of wheat (—12 per cent) jowar and dal (—4 per cent each) and gram, coffee and salt (—2 per cent each), notwithstanding the rises in rice (2 per cent) and gur (3 per cent).

Improved Petrol Stock Position In C. P.

NAGPUR, March 22 (API): As a result of improvement in the stock position of petrol, the Provincial Government have removed the restriction imposed on March 3 on the issue of petrol to consumers unless their coupons were validated by the Deputy Commissioner or other authorised officials, according to a C. P. Government Press Note issued today.

FRENCH TRADE MISSION FOR INDIA

Will Negotiate For Better Jute Supplies

PARIS, March 21 (PTI-Reuter): Three representatives of the French jute industry have left France for India and Pakistan to negotiate for better jute supplies for French manufacturers, it was learnt here today.

The mission will try to get an increased export quota and if possible an extra allocation. m

French Jute trade quarters consider that a monthly supply of 8,000 tons of raw jute is essential for covering the industry's requirements.

An Indian delegation is expected in Paris either at the end of this month or early April to discuss with French officials and trade representatives the possibility of trade exchanges between the two countries.

"NO NEED FOR DESPONDENCY"

"Financial Times" On Shipping Rates

LONDON, March 22, (PTI-Reuter): The 'Financial Times' said today when discussing shipping rates that there was no need for "despondency" at present among the holders of the shares in Peninsular and Oriental, Ellerman lines and other United Kingdom companies trading to India and the Far East. "It is obviously more economic for vessels to return from India with cargo, however modestly rated, than to come back in ballast" The 'Financial Times' continued.

"Moreover, there has lately been a useful offset to lower freight rates, by way of lower prices for fuel oil.

'A THREAT TO POTENTIAL AGGRESSOR'

Vandenberg On Atlantic Pact

WASHINGTON, March 22. (U.P.A.): Senator Arthur Vandenberg to-day said the North Atlantic Pact nations will meet any future aggressor with all the force needed "to beat him to his knees."

He specifically reserved his judgment on the corrollary programme of shipping American arms to Europe.

Vandenberg said, in a speech prepared for delivery before a conference of Mayors, that America's self-interest demands adherence to the anti-aggression treaty.

Vandenberg spoke out strongly for the pact as "the best possible peace enterprise in which the United States can engage in the self-interest of its own national security". He said Congress and the public should explore thoroughly the pact's implications because it represents the "most important step in American foreign policy since the promulgation of the Monroe Doctrine. It means that if another armed aggressor threatens any or all of us with a World War, all of us will forthwith unite to halt the aggression before it becomes universal and to defeat it before it becomes a universal conquest. All of us must take that pledge in good faith or it were better we do not take it at all."

Vandenberg reiterated Secretary of State Dean Acheson's assurance that the pact threatened no nation other than a potential aggressor.

TRADE REGULATIONS FOR COMMUNIST CHINA

SHANGHAI, March 22, (U.P.A.): The Chinese Communist radio on Monday night announced regulations under which trade will be permitted with Communist-occupied China.

The broadcast disclosed the formation of a foreign nationals affairs section in the Communist People's Government for North China. The radio said that "foreign commercial bodies, desirous of trading with north China and which observe policies and decrees of the People's Government are permitted to appoint representatives for trade with this area."

It said that such foreign traders must be recommended by the new foreign nationals affairs section. Both importers and exporters must obtain licenses from the North China Trade Bureau as must Chinese businessmen desiring to proceed abroad. The broadcast said that all trade contracts between Chinese and foreign firms must be ratified by the Trade Bureau.

MAINTAINING PEACE IN CHANDERNAGORE

Military Police Unit Moved From Pondicherry

CHANDERNAGORE, March 22 (API): A contingent of military police has arrived here from Pondicherry to assist the local police in maintaining law and order.

It may be recalled that there was some disturbances near a mill area here on March 8 when a number of people indulged in stone throwing and set on fire a jeep car. The President of the Council of Administration, Chandernagore, in a statement issued on the incident, "Internalia", said "the town was now going to be used as a harbour of the undesirables from West Bengal. The police, though adequate for the purpose of peace-time policing was not fittingly strong and equipped enough to cope with incidents of larger magnitude."

New Administrator For Chandernagore

CHANDERNAGORE, March 22. (A. P. I.): Monsieur Goumain has been appointed Administrator in place of Monsieur Mouzan Monsieur Mouzan will leave Chandernagore on March 24.

The new administrator invited the members of the Municipal Assembly yesterday at an evening party at his residence. He also gave interviews to a number of people belonging to different parties.

IMPROVING LOT OF VILLAGERS

Patiala And East Punjab States Union's 5-Year Plan

PATIALA, March 22. (A.P.I.): Far-reaching agrarian reforms are under consideration of the Patiala and East Punjab States Union Government, Giani Zail Singh, Revenue Minister, told pressmen at Patiala to-day.

The Minister said that the Government had drawn up a five-year plan to ameliorate the lot of villagers. The Superior Lordship (Alla Malkiat) of the Raja of Faridkot and Nawab of Malerkotla, rulers of the two Convenanting States would be finished and cultivators would be the real and superior owners of their lands. A Land Tenure Committee with a majority of non-official members would be shortly set up to submit a report on land rent, consolidation and system of biswedari tenancy. In order to introduce a uniform land rent scale all over the Union, the Government had ordered that it should approximate to the prevailing rate in the neighbouring province.

Eden's Plea For Closer Indo-British Ties

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in which we believe. And it seems to me, in the conditions as they are today, this free association of nations which we call the British Commonwealth is of real value as a stabilising element in a world which surely is in need of such influence".

MOULDING OF CHARTER

It had always been Mr. Eden's hope that the co-operation which the war-time Allies were able to realise on the battlefield would be carried through into years of peace and would be an essential nucleus around which the other nations might be grouped in a common international effort. So it was while the war still raging the meeting of the Foreign Secretaries of Russia, Britain and the U.S.A. in Moscow in the autumn of 1943 first agreed in principle to seek to create the United Nations Organisation. Bit by bit this endeavour was carried further until in the spring of 1945 they all met in San Francisco to elaborate and if possible to agree upon the Charter. He would not pretend that the Charter of the United Nations was in every respect an ideal document.

Inevitably it represented a certain degree of compromise between conflicting national views, but of this he was quite sure, that if the nations, and in particular the great powers, sincerely desired to work a system of international order and to abide by its obligations, the Charter could be effective for that purpose.

FAILINGS OF U. N.

Mr. Eden continued: I share the disappointment which I know many of you feel that in fact the United Nations has not so far been able to produce the results for which we had hoped but we should not, in my judgment, allow this fact to weaken our determination to continue to work to establish an international order. For the truth is that, until the nations of the world will accept a measure of international law and abide by it, there cannot be lasting security for any of us. Therefore, we must persevere in this task however disheartening at times it may seem. Meanwhile, there is no reason why the nations in given areas of the world should not work together to bring about a closer relationship and harmony in support of the United Nations. Indeed our Charter specifically provides for such developments. They need not be a threat to anyone. On the contrary they should be so constructed as to be buttresses to the wider organisation of peace. It is in his sense that I regard both the Western Union and the Atlantic Pact.'

"I have been much impressed continued Mr. Eden, "in the short time that I have been with you by the friendly and understanding spirit with which you have greeted us. In a world where there is so much suspicion, so much stress and strain between the nations it is warming to the heart to see trust and confidence grow. If we can achieve this between us we shall have contributed not only a measure of increased confidence to our own time but will, I believe, have built wisely and courageously for the generations that are to come. The one desire of the great mass of humanity everywhere after the shock and suffering of two world wars is to enjoy a period of peace. Tranquility is the universal prayer. If in a constructive spirit we are able together to help build a larger sense of confidence among the nations we shall not have worked in vain".

Pandit Kunzru assured Mr. Eden of the goodwill of the people of India towards Britain and whatever might have been their relations in the past, that was a closed chapter. Even when India was engaged in her struggle for independence, Mahatma Gandhi had emphasised that the people of India were not against Britons as such but against the system of Government. Educated and thinking people of India were following foreign affairs with great interest. Her foreign policy, as the Prime Minister had stated, was not to be neutral or keep aloof in a crisis but to throw her weight in the cause of peace.

MALAYA GOVT.'S DEAL TO TERRORISTS

SINGAPORE, March 22, (PTI-Reuter): The Government of the Federation of Malaya today amended its emergency rgulations to authorise the death penalty or whipping for "consorting with armed persons."

The amendment was introduced, it was stated, to deal with terrorists who throw away their weapons when caught by security forces.

PANDEMONIUM IN W. BENGAL ASSEMBLY

Allegations Against Judicial Minister

CALCUTTA, March 22, (A.P.I.): Shouts and counter-shouts marked the proceedings of the West Bengal Legislative Assembly this evening when the Judicial Minister, Mr. N. Dutt Majumdar, rose to make a statement in reply to certain allegations made against him in the House earlier.

The allegation made by a Muslim member of the House during discussion of the police Budget related to alleged "anti-social interference by the Minister" with the activities of the Enforcement Department in respect of an enquiry into a case of pilfering American stores and consumer goods, which had been ordered by Dr. P. C. Ghosh, when he was Premier in 1947.

As the Minister was reading out his statement, some members of the Independent Muslim Group interrupted him and challenged its accuracy. This evoked shouts of protests from the Congress benches and counter shouts by the Muslim members. The speaker, Mr. I. D. Jalan, used his hammer on several occasions to restore order in the House.

Interruptions however continued and the Premier Dr. B. C. Roy had to seek the Speaker's protection "so that the Minister concerned might be given a patient hearing". The speaker appealed to the members to preserve the dignity of the House and allow the Minister, "against whom very serious allegations have been made", to have his say in the matter. The appeal proved abortive for sometime and the Speaker went on hammering for a couple of minute, declaring that "all interruptions made in the House contrary to his directions would be expunged from the proceedings".

Calm however prevailed after the Minister had almost finished his speech, denying all the allegations and demanding an unqualified apology from the member, who had made the allegation, as "it was unparliamentary conduct on the part of an Assembly member to level such charges against another member".

CIVIL SUPPLIES SYSTEM IN KOLHAPUR

Administrator's Talks With Bombay Officials On Reorganisation

KOLHAPUR, March 22. (A.P.I.): It is learnt that Captain V. Nanjappa, Chief Civil Administrator of Kolhapur had consultations during the weekend with Mr. S. V. Chavan, Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay and A. L. Dias, Supply Commissioner, Bombay on matters concerning the reorganisation of the Civil Supplies Department in the State and other allied matters.

The Supply Commissioner is understood to have acquainted himself with the functioning of the present Civil Supplies organisation here, rationing system and procurement of foodgrains.

The question of bringing the prices of foodgrains in Kolhapur on the same level with those in adjoining territories also figured prominently during the discussions. At present the prices of foodgrains are higher than those in the adjoining areas.

Saurashtra Ministers Counsel To Industrialists

RAJKOT, March 22 (API): Mr. Manubhai Shah, Minister for Industries, Saurashtra, advised industrialists not to get frightened with the mere idea of nationalisation.

Mr. Shah who was speaking on the occasion of the opening of an ice factory here yesterday said that there were many big industries in India which will have to be industrialised before the question of nationalisation can crop up in an industrially backward area like Saurashtra. He exhorted the industrialists to come forward and start new industries at the same time keeping the interests of labour class in mind, and not to get frightened by the cry for nationalisation.

Delhi Talks With Railwaymen's Federation To Begin On April 11

POONA, March 22 (API): Mr. S. Guruswami, General Secretary of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation in a statement announces that discussions will take place between the Ministry of Railways and the All-India Railwaymen's Federation on April 11, 12 and 13 at New Delhi on pending questions which will not come before the Anomalies Committee.

He adds that the dates of the meeting of the Anomalies Committee will be announced as early as possible.

Mr. Guruswami, who arrived here from Bikaner, was on his way to Hubli.

FIRE IN "NEWS CHRONICLE" OFFICE

NEW DELHI, March 22 (API): A fire broke out in the office of the "News Chronicle" and the "National Call" near Mori Gate this morning. Part of the building on the ground floor, housing the Job Workers' Department was gutted. Resulting in damage to some machinery and stocks of paper. The fire was extinguished within an hour. The loss has not been estimated.

Malwa Postai Union Secretary Arrested

INDORE, March 21 (API): Mr. Suman Verma, General Secretary of the Post and Telegraph Workers' Union Malwa branch arrested today by the Indore Police under the Public Safety Act.

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SELECT COMMITTEE TO REPORT ON FINANCE BILL BY MARCH 25

Matthai Calls For Ending Conflict Between Central And Provincial Taxation

ISSUE OF BEARER BONDS WOULD NOT SOLVE TAX EVASION, SAYS FINANCE MINISTER

NEW DELHI, MARCH 22. (A.P.I.): AFTER A TWO-DAY GENERAL DEBATE, PARLIAMENT TODAY AGREED TO THE MOTION OF THE FINANCE MINISTER DR. JOHN MATTHAI TO REFER THE FINANCE BILL TO A SELECT COMMITTEE WHICH HAS BEEN ASKED TO REPORT ON IT BY MARCH 25.

About ten speakers participated in the debate today including Sir H. P. Mody, Messrs. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, Mr. K. M. Munshi, Prof. Ranga, Mrs. Durgabai and Begum Aizaz Rasool.

The Indian Parliament resumed the discussion on the Finance Minister's motion for reference of the Finance Bill to a Select Committee today.

Mr. Rajabahadur said that Government should devise a scheme for giving military training to the youngmen. The States forces should also be integrated within the Indian army.

In order to educate the common man in Democracy, he said, the Government should do propaganda in villages. Radio sets should be supplied free of cost to villages. Every village in the country should possess at least one radio set. More attention should be paid to the development of communication and transport facilities in villages.

The taxation proposals gave relief only to the well-to-do people. Razor, shoe and soap factories deserved special protection and assistance from the Government.

SUBDUED OPTIMISM

Sir H. P. Mody characterised the approach of the Finance Minister to the problems facing the country as one of "subdued optimism". Sir Homi said that India had cause to be thankful for her comparatively better position. The main problem before the country was the high cost of living and he thought that the country had seen the peak of high prices. There was a tendency towards the downward process. He however, felt that the Excise duties on sugar and cloth and Sales Taxes by provinces would increase the cost of living of middle class people.

SECURITY MARKET

Dilating on the policy of the Government towards the Security Market, Sir Homi Modi asked the Finance Minister to consider the feasibility of floating short-term loans, with perhaps small-er denominations out with a slightly higher rate of interest. If the Government offered an annas or two more, he said the response on the part of the investing public would be considerable. He also suggested methods for attracting capital from the rural areas with the help of co-operative societies and by simplifying the procedure in regard to the sale and purchase of Government loans. He asked if the Government had considered the feasibility of issuing bearer bonds and the scheme submitted by some of the leading banks in the country.

Referring to the Revised Estimates, Sir Homi said that there ought to be better estimating of Revenue and Expenditure, and he was not aware of any case where budget estimates varied as much as Rs. eighty crores both in cases of Revenue and Expenditure.

"GREASING FEET" OF INDUSTRIALISTS

Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar said that the present budget was a "balancing budget between the poor and the rich". He said that the poor man was prepared to take some more burden on him but he expected the industrialists and capitalists to put some more energy in the matter of industrial production.

The Finance Minister had said, Mr. Ayyangar added, that in view of the difficult situation in the country he had given up some of the principles merely for the purpose of inducing the industrialists and capitalists to produce more. Inspite of the 'critical situation' in India, the overall position was essentially sound. The only solution of the present troubles was to produce more and more consumer goods. The Government had tried to "grease the feet" of the industrialists and concessions had been given to them. If the industrialists did not put their shoulders to the wheel and if the situation did not improve within a year, he would place the blame entirely on his friend on the left (Sir Homi Mody) and the interests he represented.

He was glad that the bill was to be referred to a Select Committee which could discuss the matter of giving relief to middle class men unreadbare.

Mr. Mahabir Tyagi thought that nobody should grumble about taxation. On his part he would never oppose any taxation but he would demand that the money which had been collected was spent for the benefit of the people. He said that people had joined the Government services as a matter of career and the tendency of such people was to work less and exploit more just as the labourer in the factory wanted more leisure and more wages. The strength of the Central Secretariat had increased fivefold. The British had run the administration much more efficiently with about a hundred officers, while at present there were 468 officers.

PEOPLE'S DEMAND

Mr. Tyagi said: "The strength of the Secretariat must at all cost be reduced to the prewar level. That is the demand of the people which I voice here when you come out with any taxation proposals. We agree to them, but you must give us also what we want". (cheers).

The Ministers and Secretaries should set an example of simplicity and hard work for the people to emulate. Villagers were totally neglected and most of the money was being spent for the benefit of the urban population.

EDUCATION "STARVED"

Mr. A. V. Thakkar said that Government had "starved" the Education, Health and Labour Departments by earmarking only seven and half per cent of the total Central Revenue for nation-building activities" was that enough? The Education Minister only the other day expressed his desire to have ten per cent of the budget devoted to Education". The Health Minister had 'confessed' that she was working with a guilty conscience" because she was denied the necessary funds.

Before Independence, he remarked, "we were cursing the British Government for neglecting our Nation-Building departments. But what are we doing now? I shall not consider the additional tax on coarse cloth and increase in postal rates too much, provided the poor man gets the benefit. After imposing this additional burden, why don't you give a crore or two more for Health or Education"?

Mr. Thakkar expressed surprise at the inclusion of civil aviation among the nation-building departments".

Prof. Ranga— Is it not a nation-building department in view of its value to the armed forces?

Mr. Thakkar— Did Government subsidise the motor car on that ground when it was first introduced in this country? Anyway, you need not travel at 200 miles an hour. A speed of twenty or thirty miles an hour is good enough for our country, but that is a matter of opinion (laughter).

JAIPUR STANDARDS

Mr. Arun Chandra Guha asked the House whether the austerity standards prescribed by the Jaipur Congress session were being observed by the Government. Those standards, he said, were prescribed not only for the people but for the Government.

CENTRAL GRANTS FOR EDUCATION

Shrimati Durgabai deplored that whenever the subject of Education was discussed, it was said that it was a provincial subject. The Centre was giving considerable aid to the provinces by way of subsidies. The Centre must have, therefore, a certain measure of control over the activities of the provinces, at least to the extent to which Central grants were made. Many of the universities in the country were not well-administered. If necessary, the management of universities should become a central subject.

REDUCE DEFENCE EXPENDITURE

Prof. Shibban Lal Saksena said that the Defence Expenditure should be reduced at least by 37 crores and the expenditure on Civil Administration by at least 18 crores. The Civil, expenditure which in "pre-war years was only rupees seven and half crores, had now shot up to rupees forty-eight crores.

The Select Committee should try to amend the Finance Bill in such a way as to make it a people's budget and not an "industrialists" budget."

Mr. Thirumala Rao said that the Finance Minister was trying to lift the country out of the "mess" into which she had fallen but he was obstructed internally by hoarders of currency who refused to subscribe to Government loans and externally by the country's inability to use the Sterling Balances which had accumulated as a result of the sacrifices of the people of India.

The country was now safe internally and, perhaps, also externally. It was time Government should consider how far the country could advance on the road to progress.

The Purchasing Mission sent to England and America provided "cushy jobs" for eminent politician and big businessmen. When did Government send these missions when manufacturers' representatives were prepared to come here to negotiate deals? He asked.

The word "secular state" had been "beaten to death". He would ask, "have our leaders any conception of the form the State should take"? India had an ancient culture and it was the duty of the Government to preserve it and to enhance it and hand it down to future generations as the greatest gift of this country to civilisation.

Mr. Krishnaswami Bharathi was opposed to the idea of provincial budgets being subjected to the previous approval of the Centre. He said there were many practical difficulties and the provincial Governments would not agree to the course.

MUNSHI CONGRATULATES MATTHAI

Mr. K. M. Munshi congratulated the Finance Minister on the soundness of the outlook which had characterised the budget. He said there was a feeling in the country that the budget had done much to minimise the panic and stop the rot in the economic structure. If the Finance Minister continued the course which he had adopted with courage, then the country would have turned the corner in a year's time.

Mr. Munshi welcomed the announcement of the Finance Minister that he proposed to bring in a legislation empowering the Income Tax Investigation Commission to come to an agreed settlement. With the intimate knowledge as an Income-tax lawyer of the conducts of businessmen, he could assert that it would lead to the greatest danger to the credit of the Government and the financial structure of the country, if long enquiries were held into the thousands of cases pending before the commission. Most of the blackmarket money had gone towards investment in bullions, diamonds and gold. He would, therefore, request the Finance Minister to see that the Commission was given wide powers of making settlement without going into a detailed examination of books of accounts for years.

Criticising the Provincial Governments for some of their legislative measures, Mr. Munshi said that the Government were converting moral lapses into crimes. Most of the Legislative measures were not intended to do legitimate work of legislating for rights and obligations. There must be a limit to them. People should be reformed by educational methods and not buy turning them as criminals.

Mr. Munshi also suggested that the officers in the Defence forces should not feel that their salary would be reduced. The army had stood between the country and chaos, and it was essential that this feeling should be removed at any cost.

SURPRISE FOR RANGA

Prof. Ranga was surprised to find that Mr. Munshi was pleading for "Zamindars, Capitalists and the officers" Prof. Ranga said that the Defence forces were very sensitive to what was being said in the House. He would be the first man to accommodate the demands of the Defence forces in regard to financial matters, but the country was not at present in a position to set part more money for Defence purposes. If the conditions improved, the Government would probably look into the matter.

Due to the Communist Party's activities, continued Mr. Ranga, there were no civil liberties in Burma and China and he asked whether India and her people should become a prey to the political party which believed in violence. The Government should further strengthen the defence and police forces in the country, he added.

PLEA FOR COMMON DEFENCE

Begum Aizaz Rasool said that India and Pakistan should evolve a programme of common Defence. That was the only way to reduce Defence expenditure in both countries and to meet outside aggression and the Communist threat.

She heard with "great pleasure" Sardar Patel's remarks on the position of Muslims in the country. The Indian Muslims, she would assure the House, were "absolutely willing and ready" to make every sacrifice for the Defence of the country.

WHY DOUBLE TAXATION?

Turning to the taxation proposals, she said that there must be some sort of coordination between provincial and central taxation. It was unfair to impose double taxation. The tax on betel nut was "very unfair" and would affect "very much" the U.P. where it was popular.

"CUT DOWN EXPENDITURE"

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa said that unless Government cut down superfluous expenditure, they would not be able to fight inflation. Straightway the Finance Minister must tell every Ministry to cut down expenditure by ten per cent.

The villager was taxed "all round" both by the Centre and by the Provinces. The question must be considered by the Finance Minister. While giving relief, the Finance Minister had his eyes on Dalal Street in Bombay (business centre) and not on the poor people. He hoped that in future he would benefit the poor people also equally.

Replying to the debate, Dr. John Matthai, Finance Minister, said that the Select Committee would, no doubt, consider the various suggestions regarding the manner in which the financial proposals might be modified, and some of them might be replaced, and would, no doubt, be taken into the fullest possible account by the Select Committee.

In the Budget he had presented, he had made provision for grants to Provinces of somewhere about Rs. 27 crores, for loans to Provinces of somewhere about Rs. 58 crores, food subsidies to the extent of Rs. 33 crores, and for displaced persons a revenue provision of Rs. 10 crores and a capital provision of nearly Rs. 20 crores. All of them were provisions for the advantage and benefit of "that individual whom in these discussions we have often described as the Common Man". They had not been very demonstrably brought out, but they were there implicit in the Budget.

"My own feeling", the Finance Minister went on, "is that if we are able to sail into more comfortable waters as regards our financial provision, it ought to be posible for us to provide expenditure for the great masses in the cauntry in a manner and on a scale which would carry a certain amount of psychological effect with it. It ought to be possible for us, provided our financial position is a little better than it is today."

HIGHER STANDARD OF WORK

Dr. Matthai wanted the House to realise that senior officers today turned out a much higher standard of work than they did under the old regime.

Another matter which he would ask the House to remember was that the reason why India had been able to preserve a fair degree of stability, unlike her neighbouring countries like Burma, was that in India there were two or three men to whom the whole country owed loyalty. There was leadership of a kind which did not obtain in some other countries.

Apart from that, unlike a country like Burma, where there was not even

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BOMBAY'S STREET-VENDORS

61. The Owner Of A Freak

He follows a queer profession—of cashing in on the physical discomfort of that bull which has to carry an extra limb on his back and trudge the streets of Bombay. This uncommon trader has many yarns to tell—that it is the only bull on earth to own six feet, that it is twice more sacred than the common four-footer, that the like of this bovine species is to be found in "Swarga" (heaven) and nowhere else except his shed. Many pedestrians gulf his stories as he takes his round in the slum area. They often put vermilion on that freakish growth any yap money for feeding the "sacred" animal. He is not the only one in the profession. There are others who earn their living by taking a rickety cow round the Hindu areas, dangling sheafs of green grass in front of the animal's nose. Everytime a charitably disposed pedestrians tosses a coin the cow gets a morsel of grass and its owner a part of his daily bread.

FILLIP TO AIRLINE COMPANIES

"All Up" Air Mail Scheme: Rebate Of Half Duty On Petrol

NEW DELHI, March 22. (UPI): The Communications Minister, Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai told Parliament today company, namely, All-India Limited, air companies were at present operating in the Indian Dominion, he added. Two companies, namely, Jupiter Airways and Ambica Airlines had ceased to operate since Aug. 15, 1947.

WHY AIR COMPANIES FAIL

The reasons for the failure of most of these companies to work on a profitable basis, he said, had been the possession of larger fleets of aircraft than necessary for their operations, and the operation of unremunerative routes.

The Government, he added, proposed to grant rebate of half the duty on aviation petrol and to introduce an "all up" air mail scheme which would greatly improve the revenue load available to the airline companies. These combined with the progressive development of freight and passenger traffic were expected to improve the matters.

PRODUCTION OF SAFETY MATCHES

Dr. S. P. Mookerjee said that the total production of safety matches in 1946 and 1948 was 506,221 and 620.000 cases of 50 gross boxes each, respectively. About 550,000 cases of 50 gross boxes required for consumption in India and approximately 479,145 gross boxes were exported outside India during the period from 1st March, 1948 to 31st December, 1948. This year exports to Pakistan had been decontrolled as an experimental measure. A rebate of excise duty was allowed on export to all countries except Pakistan.

The Food Minister stated that 124,492 wells had been sunk and repaired in India under the "grow more food" campaign since 1943.

SYNTHETIC OIL FROM INDIAN COAL

The final project report of the process of producing synthetic oil from Indian coal was expected to be ready by 31st March, 1949, said Dr. Mookerjee. A Committee set up by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research having recommended the Fischer Tropsch process as the most suitable synthesis and liquification, and agreement had been concluded with Messrs. Koppers Company of America for the preparation, by the company, of a project study of a scheme of producing synthetic oil. The company submitted their preliminary report on Oct. 16, 1948 and the final report was expected by March 31, 1949. Liquid fuels from coal prepared by another American firm had since been received and was under examination of the Government experts. The major decision with regard to the implementation of the scheme could only be taken after the various aspects of the problem had been fully studied by Government experts, he added.

The Food Minister said that surplus stocks of sugar had accumulated at some of the sugar factories in U.P. and Bihar out of last season's production, but this was mainly due to high prices of sugar and not for want of movement facilities.

RESTRICTING LIABILITY OF BANKS

NEW DELHI, March 22 (UPI): The Finance Minister, Dr. John Matthai introduced in Parliament today a Bill to Restrict the Liability of Banking Companies in connection with certain transactions by legal practitioners.

Under the rules of the Bombay High Court, an Attorney practising there has to keep an account at a bank for clients' moneys in the title of which the word "client" shall appear and he can operate on that account only for the purpose specified in the rules. The legal effect on these rules is that a bank is fixed with a notice of trust and is bound to enquire into the purposes of withdrawal, whenever any transaction is sought to be made on such clients' accounts. These rules have placed on banks a great measure of special responsibility and they also interfere with the free transferability of cheques drawn on such accounts.

The object of the Bill is to protect banks in India by relieving them of such special responsibility and to ensure free transferability of cheques.

Fans For New 3rd Class Coaches

The Government of India has decided to provide electric fans in compartments of all new third class coaches subject to the availability of electrical equipment.

Mr. N. Gopalaswami Ayyangar Transport and Railway Minister, who made this statement reply to Mr. R. K. Shidwa said there were 274 class three coaches on order with firms in India and arrangements had been made to fit fans in them. He added that orders had also been issued to the railways to fit fans in ladies compartments of all the old class three coaches when material and fittings became available.

He also said that the question of regrouping of various railways and reorganisation of various workshops was under consideration of Government.

He hoped that the question would be decided before the end of the next financial year. He added that the Government proposed to erect a workshop for the East Punjab Railways and the selection of a site was now under consideration.

Some of the railways of Indian States were being taken over by the Railway Board and the taking over of other railways was under consideration. The whole question of how they would be treated under the Indian railway system was under comprehensive investigation.

PUNCTUALITY DRIVE ON RAILWAYS

NEW DELHI, March 22, (UPI):— A concerted drive for the improvement of punctuality has been launched on all railways. The drive has improvgenerally and it is being maintained.

This information was given by Mr. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar, Minister for Transport while replying to a question in Parliament this morning.

JAMNAGAR NOT TO BE DEVELOPED AS AN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

NEW DELHI, March 22, (U.P.I.): During the question hour in Parliament this morning. Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, Minister for Communications disclosed that the Government of India was not proposing to spend any amount on the development of Jamnagar as an international airport.

Mr. Shidhva: Is it a fact that Jamnagar is to take the place formerly occupied by Karachi as the nearest airport for aircrafts coming from the west?

Mr. Kidwai: No sir.

The Minister for Communication also replied in the negative when asked in Kandla was going to be one of the international airports in view of its proximity for aircrafts from West than Jamnagar.

"INDIAN PEOPLES' FAMINE TRUST"

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Minister for Agriculture replying to a question revealed that Rs. 34, 51, 455 was the amount of the balance now in the "Indian Peoples' Famine Trust".

He further disclosed that grants made to various provinces and states during the past five years were Rs. 2,90,000. He said that only the interest on the funds at the disposal of the trust could be spent.

Dr. Dadoo Unable To Return To South Africa

UNION GOVERNMENT NOT ISSUING PASSPORT

LONDON, March 21. (PTI-Reuter): Dr. Yusuf Mahomed Dadoo President of the Transvaal Indian Congress, wants to return to South Africa as soon as possible—but is not sure what the attitude of the Union Government will be.

"They have still got my passport", he said. "They took it from me when I left for Europe in the hope of representing the Indian nationals in South Africa at the United Nations General Assembly in Paris.

"I took my case to the courts and got an interim injunction against the Minister of the Interior. The case is still being heard, and meanwhile my passport has expired.

"Now I am waiting to hear one way or the other what the South African Government is going to do.

"I shall have to get back to South Africa somehow. I have a wife and child in Johannesburg. My mother, five brothers and four sisters are also over there.

"I have applied to the South African authorities in London for travel documents to enable me to return. I have been told that no air line will issue me with a ticket unless I have proper documents".

South Africa House informed Reuter that Dr. Dadoo's application had been referred to authorities in the Union.

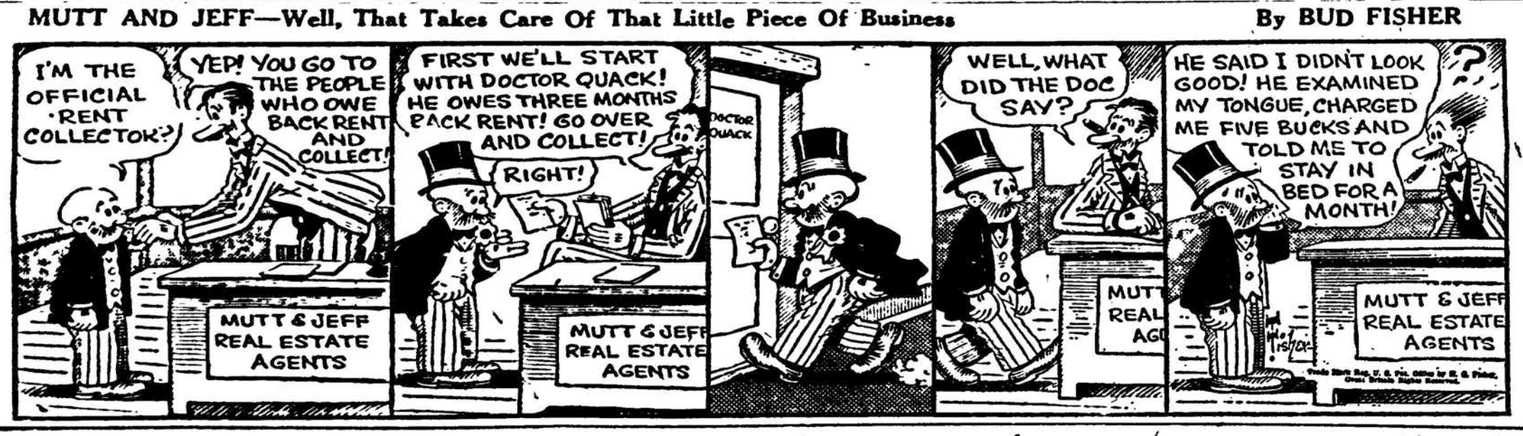
PROPAGANDA IN ENGLAND.

Dr. Dadoo never realised his object of going to Paris. The French Government refused to grant him a visa. He devoted his time in London to addressing public meetings on the problem of the Indians in South Africa and also went on a provincial tour organised by the Indian League.

"In the campaign now ending the British Government has been made aware that the public and number of influential bodies concerned with safeguarding democratic rights and the welfare of colonial peoples do not approve of the stand hitherto taken by the British Government in condoning South African policy.

"There is a strong feeling that the British Government should take effective steps at the forthcoming session of the United Nations General Assembly to ensure that the South African Government abides by the fundamental principles of the United Nations charter."

MUTT AND JEFF—Well, That Takes Care Of That Little Piece Of Business — By BUD FISHER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